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Letters Sent Secretary Treasury

and Chief Clerk

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Secretary of the
Treasury and
Chief Clerk

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, January 1,

The Honorable

Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

In pursuance of the provisions of section twenty-five of the act of August 27, 1894, I have the honor to present herewith a table of the estimate of the values of the standard coins of the nations of the world.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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January 2, 1

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

In accordance with section seven of the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation Act, approved March 1st, 1896, I have the honor to state that the business of this office for the month and quarter ended December 31, 1911, is not in arrears.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Jan. 3, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I am handing you herewith the first One Cent Bronze Coin struck in the United States mints in the year 1912. Accompanying it is a certificate signed by Charles E. Barber, Engraver, and Rhine R. Freed, Coiner, to the effect that it was struck in the Philadelphia Mint at 9.35 A.M., January 2nd, 1912. As the Mint at Denver, owing to the difference in time, opens two hours later in the day and the Mint at San Francisco three hours later in the day than the Mint at Philadelphia, the day's operations in these mints did not begin until some time after the striking of this coin.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint

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Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

Replying to circular letter dated November 8, 1911 requesting that you be furnished with a list of papers, documents, &c., in this Bureau which are not needed for the transaction of current business and which have no permanent value I am giving below a list of official papers which were transmitted to this Bureau when the U. S. Assay Office at St. Louis was abolished on July 1, 1911. These papers appear to have no permanent value and it is recommended that authority be given for their destruction.

20 press copy books - Oct. 19, 1881 to Oct. 23, 1906.
8 files letters received - March 11, 1890 to June 29, 1911.
4 " Bills and Receipts - Nov. 9, 1881 to July 16, 1897.
37 Register of Deposits of Gold Bullion (Form 188-F) - 1885 to June 30, 1900.
4 Register of Deposits of Gold Bullion (Form 188-F) - Blank.

8 Ledgers - July, 1881 to June, 1911.
3 Journals - Feb. 9, 1882 to July 30, 1892.
2 Journals (Form 283-J) - July 7, 1898 to Aug. 18, 1908.
2 Weight & Value of Bars after Clipping (Form 314) - July 1, 1891 to June 22, 1911.
2 Weight & Value of Deposits after Melting (Form 315) - July 1, 1891 to June 22, 1911.
1 Register of Assays-Gold Deposits (Form 123-A) - Feb. 1, 1882 to Aug. 17, 1906.
1 Register of Assays-Silver Deposits (Form 123-B) - Feb. 23, 1882 to Aug. 15, 1906.
1 Register of Warrants for Ordinary Expenses - Dec. 31, 1881 to June 30, 1911.
2 Receipts for Gold Bullion - May 3, 1892 to June 10, 1911.
1 Register of Deposits - Feb. 9, 1882 to June 30, 1891.
2 Day Books - July 1, 1892 to July 30, 1898.

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Books

1 Detailed record of mass melts (Form 745) - used in part.
1 Temporary receipt for bullion (Form 945) - " " "
1 Percentage of loss in melting gold bullion (Form 936) - Used in part.
1 Cashier's Blotter (Form 75) - Not used.
1 Register of Assays (Form 123-A) - Not used.
1 Deposits of gold bullion - used only in 1882-1884.
1 Time book (Form 701) - Not used.
4 Register of Deposits of Gold Bullion (Form 188) - Used.
2 -do- " " - Unused.
1 Journal - Used in part.
1 Cash book - " " "
1 Record of Bars to be massed (Form 965) - Used in part.
1 Special bullion assay receipts (Form 729) - Used in part.
2 Register Certificate & receipts for payment of gold deposits (Form 180) - 1 entirely used; other used in part.
1 Order book (Form 210) - Used in part.
1 Receipts for silver bullion (Form 8-G) - Used in part.
3 Receipts for gold bullion - stubs only.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint

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January 6, 1

To the

Chief Clerk,

Treasury Department.

Sir:

Replying to your circular letter of the 5th instant beg to advise you that inasmuch as the offices of the Mint reau were renovated within a year there are no useless file cases or desks that could be disposed of in these rooms.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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January 5, 1

Honorable G. F. O'Shaunessy,
House of Representatives.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 27th instant I beg to advise you that the salaries paid to die-makers are $1250 to $1400. There are several of these men now on furlough from the Mint at Philadelphia, the only institution in the mint service where die-makers are employed. There is little likelihood that the services of additional die-makers will be required for several years to come.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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January 6, 1912

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Frank M. Downer, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colorado, the sum of $10,000 on account of the profits on the coinage of one cent bronze pieces, and that the Minor Coinage account of said Mint be increased in this amount.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 8, 1

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Frank M. Downer, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colorado the sum of $257,987.63 on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver and that the bullion fund of that Mint be increased in like amount.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Edward Sweeny, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, the sum of twelve thousand dollars ($12,000) on account of the profits on the coinage of one cent pieces, and that the Minor Coinage account of said Mint be increased in that amount.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 6, 1912.

My dear Senator:

Replying to your letter of December 30th, I am sending you herewith copy of a statement made by the Director of the Mint a few days ago which explains, I think, very clearly the situation in the mint service in general, and the questions relating to the refinery of the Philadelphia Mint in particular.

Every effort is being made either to transfer the men in the Philadelphia refinery to the New York office or to take care of as many as possible in other Departments of the Mint in Philadelphia, but there is obviously not sufficient work in the East to keep refineries running both in New York and in Philadelphia.

I am returning herewith enclosures forwarded by you.

Respectfully,

A. Piatt Andrew
Assistant Secretary

Hon. Boies Penrose,
United States Senate.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of John H. Landis, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, the sum of $18,729.75 on account of the profits on the coinage of one cent bronze and five cent nickel pieces as follows, and that the Minor Coinage Recoinag Account of said Mint be increased in like amount.-

On five cent nickel pieces ---	$1,805.24
On one cent bronze pieces ----	16,924.51
	18,729.75

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury in the name of John H. Landis, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, the sum of $49,693.55 on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver coin, and that the bullion fund of said Mint be increased in that amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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January 12, 1912.

Mr. Willis Fletcher Johnson,
154 Nassau Street,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Johnson:

I have your letter of the 11th instant and am glad to have you communicate with Mr. Roberts and myself concerning any transactions or practices in the Assay Office which seem to require official attention. We are all agreed that the employes of the Assay Office should not be allowed to occupy their time during office hours or use the premises for the transaction of private business and the only question as to the case submitted is whether there has been such a deliberate and continued practice as to warrant the severe penalty of dismissal from the Service. If the employe in question has been regularly engaged in buying and selling specimens, inviting the public to visit him at the assay office for that purpose, the situation is undoubtedly one that needs correction, but if the case cited has been only incidental to the disposition of certain specimens that have been in his possession for a long time and does not in fact constitute a regular practice it would seem unnecessary to take the extreme action which you have suggested.

Mr. Roberts has the subject under consideration and will also give attention to the other matters of which you have written. The Department has confidence in the Superintendent, Mr. Kingsford, and believes that under his administration every just complaint or criticism will have fair consideration.

Respectfully,

Assistant Secretary.

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January 12, 1912.

Hon. William E. Borah,
United States Senate,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 2nd instant enclosing a communication from the Boise Commercial Club relative to the United States Assay Office at Boise, and I note your own interest in the subject.

I understand it to be true that compared with the other assay offices the Boise office receives an exceptional proportion of small deposits. There are, however, some features of the situation which your correspondents as business men, interested in a business-like administration of public affairs in all branches of the Government, possibly have not fully considered. The records indicate that over 80% in value of the deposits at that office come to Boise by mail or express and 30% come from outside of the state. A considerable proportion comes from banks or other parties who have either purchased the bullion from producers or are acting as agents for the latter. If there was no assay office at Boise this bullion would continue to be handled in the same manner except that the mail or the express companies would carry it direct to a mint, which is its ultimate destination. The transportation charges would probably be somewhat greater than to Boise but not so great as the combined charges first to Boise and then from Boise to the mint. As an offset against these higher charges the depositor would escape the charge of one-eighth of one percent now levied for the service of the local office, a charge which falls so far short of the cost of maintaining the office as to be insignificant. The only disadvantage mentioned by your correspondents is the longer time required to obtain returns from the mint but as the bullion would be carried on express trains this could not be more than a few days in each case. Under the present system the bullion is stopped en route, unpacked, assayed, value calculated, repacked and consigned to the mint, where this work is done over again, all for no other purpose than this saving of time upon the returns. The procedure involves the expense of maintaining the local offices with a duplication of labor in handling and accounting and some inevitable risk of loss in having large amounts of bullion in a number of small offices. Taking the service as a whole these considerations are important.

The argument that the local offices save a few days time upon remittances can be used in favor of establishing one in each mining camp and in fact has been frequently used in favor of establishing

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one in the Oregon district now served by the Boise office. No doubt there will be important mining developments in Idaho, as your correspondent suggests, and in other parts of the West, but the multiplication of these offices or the stopping of bullion in transit in order that it may be assayed and paid for before it reaches a mint, in my opinion imposes an expense upon the public treasury altogether disproportionate to the benefits conferred upon producers. The mints are now so conveniently located to all sections of the country that apparently no great hardship would be imposed by asking producers to deliver their bullion at one of them.

Respectfully,

Secretary.

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Honorable A. Piatt Andrew,
Assistant Secretary,

Sir:

Referring to your letter of December 15th requesti
my views upon the proposed system of accounting incorpo
in the report of the Committee on Administrative Account
and Bookkeeping, I beg to say that insofar as a uniform
system of bookkeeping is acceptable to other administrat
offices in the Treasury Department, I think the few book
kept in this office could be adapted to it.

The bookkeeping system in the field service is anot
matter and I do not find that it has been given particul
attention by this Committee. If the disbursing accounts
all offices could be rendered monthly and the accounts
adjusted in the administrative offices, and given audit w
perhaps a month from the date of receipt in the Departmen
the comparison of accounts with the Warrent Room would be
greatly facilitated and the checking with that department
could be effected oftener than five or six months as at pr

The second recommendation, referring to the allotment
Appropriations under Section 3679 R. S., is at present obs
in the Mint Bureau, as the amendment to this section on Fe
ruary 27, 1906, makes it mandatory that "All appropriation
* * * be so apportioned by monthly or other allotments to

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prevent expenditures in one portion of the year which may necess
deficiency or additional appropriations to complete the service
the fiscal year for which said appropriations are made;"

The suggestion that disbursing officers outside of Washingt
be required to send to the central office each day all vouchers
paid is, in the opinion of this Bureau, inexpedient and unnecessa
for the reason that the cashier in each institution of the Mint
Service is required under the present regulations to forward to
the Bureau a Daily Statement showing disbursements, and the vouche
are serviceable to the disbursing office in referring to or settli
accounts which are sometimes carried through period of days.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to
be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Edward Swe
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, California, t
sum of $82,615.15 on account of the profits on the coina
of subsidiary silver coin, and that the bullion fund of
said Mint be increased in this amount.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the M

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The Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

Referring to circular letter of the 2nd ultimo re to suggestions locking to the improvement of Circular covering official travel, I beg to say that so far as use of mileage goes I have no figures with which to mak comparison, but it is obvious that if mileage books cou be used there would be a saving.

HIRE OF SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION WHERE THERE IS NO REGULAR MEANS OF CONVEYANCE.

This paragraph has recently been covered by two de of the Comptroller of the Treasury. The clerks auditin would be aided by having a definite explanation of the tion governing garriage hire.

REASONABLE FEES TO PORTERS AND EXPRESSMEN.

If the giving of fees is countenanced at all on Gov vouchers it is not clear why the necessity is not as gre tip waiters in hotels as porters on trains.

LODGING AND ACTUAL BOARD AT A RATE NOT GREATER THAN $5 PER DAY.

It would be interesting to have figures covering a de period, contrasting the amount expended at the above rate the amount which might have been expended had the

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per diem allowance of $4 a day, and in the case of a shor stay in a large city an allowance of $5 per day. If this paragraph is to remain as it is it would be helpful if t were a line drawn as to when the waiver should be used.

The necessity for certifying under oath that the acco rendered is just and true would appear to be superfluous inasmuch as vouchers in which much larger sums are involve are accepted and settled on presentation without oath. It would seem that when an employee is delegated to travel on official business it would be sufficient guarantee that his voucher for expenses will be correct, especially as the offi so designating him for this service certifies to the correc ness of the account.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Bureau

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January 15, 19

My dear Senator:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th instant enclosing a communication from the Helena Commercial Club with regard to the retention of the Assay Office at Helena, and beg to advise you that the estimates sent to Congress this year did not eliminate this Office. In this connection, however, I beg to state that the Helena office receives a large part of its bullion from Montana, but of the 713 deposits during the fiscal year 1911 only 33 were from Helena and the remainder, 680, were sent to that office either by mail or express. If these outside deposits had been sent to the Denver Mint it would have saved the expense of handling the bullion twice and the cost by mail would have been the same to the depositor. The advantage, perhaps, is in the fact that the deposit would be paid for a few days earlier by being deposited in the Helena Office, but as an offset against this the depositor would escape the charge of $1.25 per thousand dollars now levied for the service of the local office; a charge which, by the way, falls far short of maintaining this office.

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The small companies referred to in your letter "operating cyanide process" are in no way affected inasmuch as all bullion received at a mint or assay office must be sufficiently pure to come within the regulations, and there is no exception made for receipts at Helena or any other assay office. The bullion deposited at the assay offices is melted, assayed, paid for and shipped to the Mint for refining.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

Honorable Joseph M. Dixon,
United States Senate.

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January 17, 1

The Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 19th ultimo I beg to enclose herewith statemets covering the purchase of typewriters in the Mint Service.

We have no authority to exchange old machines in payment for new machines. Useless machines in the field service are sold to the highest bidder and the proceeds of such sales turned into the Treasury as "Proceeds of sale of old material".

No attempt is made to standardize in selecting machines for the Mint service further than to secure machines having the universal key-board.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosures.

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Question 2.

Typewriters in use, Mint Service

	Bureau	Mints: Philadelphia	San Francisco	Denver	New Orleans	Carson	Assay Offices: New York	Seattle	Deadwood	Boise	Helena	Salt Lake	Charlotte
Underwood, Model 3, 20" carriage	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
do 5	4	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
do ? check writing	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
do ?	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-
Remington, Model 10	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
do 7	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
do 6	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
do ?	-	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
do ? pin point	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
do ? Wahl adder	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Monarch, Model 2	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
do 3	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
do 3 pin point	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oliver, Model 3	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
do ?	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
L. C. Smith, Model 2	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
do 3	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	-
Smith-Premier, Model 4	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
do ?	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Densmore, Model ?	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Caligraph, Model ?	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
? ?	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	6	16	6	8	?	2	4	1	1	1	2	1	1

The model number of many of the machines in the field service is not known in the Bureau; if desired, same can be secured in about 10 days. Information from the New Orleans Mint is expected at an early date.

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TYPEWRITERS PURCHASED BY BUREAU OF THE MINT AND FIELD OFFICES.

Make	Model		Cost	Year of Purchase 1907	1908	1909	1910	1911
Underwood	Unknown	checkwriting	$80				1	
Underwood	"		80 & 84				2	
Underwood	5		80		1		2	
Remington	Unknown	Wahl adder	204					1
Remington	"	Pin Point	90				1	
Remington	"		84. 96. 100		1		2	
Remington	10		80. 95			2		
L.C.Smith	2		81. 82. 83.83.	2			2	
L. C. Smith	3		$81. 86. 92. 122. 95.		4	1		
Monarch	2		80	1				
Monarch	3	Pin Point	86				1	
Smith Premier	4	18 in.carriage	108.			1		
Smith Premier	Unknown		80.		1		1	
Oliver	Unknown	with desk	172			1		
				3	7	5	12	1

The following number of the above machines were purchased from the appropria for Contingent Expenses, Office of the Director of the Mint:

January, 1908,	One No. 5 Underwood ----------	$80.00
March 1908,	One Remington ----------	96.00
June 1909,	1 Smith Premier No. 4 with 18" carriage ------	108.00
December 1909,	Two Underwood No. 5, each ----------	80.00

Since December, 1909, typewriters required by the Bureau of the Mint have be supplied through the Chief Clerk of the Department, the Auditor having objected t the purchase of typewriters from the appropriations of the Office of the Director of the Mint.

The purchase of machines for the field service of the Mint Bureau is authori s the prices agreed upon with the Treasury Department under contract.

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January 19

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause bla
form of bond to be prepared for execution by Edward Swee
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, California, i
the sum of one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000).

Mr. Sweeny's present bond expires on February 1st,
1912.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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January 20, 1913.

Hon. William E. Cox, Chairman,
Committee on Expenditures in the Treasury Department,
House of Representatives.

Sir:

The Secretary of your Committee has communicated personally with various Treasury officials concerning the estimates submitted for the Mint Bureau for the next fiscal year, and particularly with regard to the positions of Examiner and Adjuster of Accounts. I should like, however, to confirm in writing ourattitude in the matter. It appears that certain statements made by the Director of the Mint before your Committee last May were accepted as conveying the idea that the position of Examiner was practically vacant by reason of the advanced years and physical incapacity of Mr. Preston, who then held it. This is a mistake. Although Mr.Preston at the time was in failing health and practically superannuated, the Director had no intention of conveying the idea that the position could be dispensed with.

The work of the Examiner as originally contemplated, and as now performed, is practically that of Assistant Director. The Examiner supervises and scrutinizes all matters relating to the personnel, contracts, purchases, fund advances and expenditures of every sort in all of the mints and assay offices. In the absence of the Director the Examiner serves as Acting Director and assumes all the responsibility

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of the mint and assay service. During the last years of Mr. Preston's life his duties were practically performed by the then Adjuster of Accounts, whose natural work in turn was distributed in part to subordinates. After his death, however, the vacancy in the position of Examiner was filled by promoting the Adjuster of Accounts, who had practically carried on the Examiners work for sometime previously, and whose record of fifteen years of very efficient service in the Mint Bureau abundantly merited such recognition. As the position of Examiner is next in rank to that of Director of the Mint, and the incumbent serves as Acting Director in the absence of the head of the Bureau, and as the present occupant of the position is so peculiarly well equipped, $3,000 seems far from excessive remuneration.

With an active and competent person filling the place of Examiner and able to supervise the clerkships the position of Adjuster of Accounts is of less importance, and in the estimates for 1912-13 the position of Adjuster of Accounts was reduced from $2,500 to $2,000 per annum, with the intention of filling it by the promotion of a clerk now receiving $1,600 per annum. The $1,600 clerkship was dropped. You will therefore see that Mr. Preston's death resulted in a reduction of one place in the estimates.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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For letter to Secretary
See Sept. 28-1911

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January 2

Honorable A. Piatt Andrew,
Assistant Secretary.

Sir:

I beg to request that you will approve a correctio to be made in the contract of the Mine & Smelter Supply Company with the Assay Office at Boise, Idaho, for furnishing to that office certain supplies during the fiscal year 1912 as follows:-

The bid of this firm for supplying one and one half dozen case muffles reads "$9.15 per dozen", while the contract reads erroneously "18 case muffles, $9.15". It is desired that the contract be corrected to read "$9.15 per dozen".

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

(Signed) A. Piatt Andrew

Assistant Secretary.

Referred to Auditor Jan. 26/12
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January 27,

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith the account of the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia, amountin to $160.16, for the manufacture of thirty silver medals, and the cost of the cases for the same, in accordance with your letter of the 6th ultimo.

In payment of this account I beg to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury to the credit of the appropriations for the support of the Mint at Philadelphia, fiscal year 1912, the following amounts:-

Wages of Workmen ------	$80.46	
Contingent Expenses ---	53.93	$134.39

To be remitted direct to the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia to reimburse the Medal Fund -

Cost of cases, pins, catches, etc., ----------	25.77
	160.16

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Jan. 30, 1912.

MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY ANDREW:

Referring to the $1. and $3. gold pieces and other coins worth a premium now held by the Treasurer, and the desirability of disposing of them in some way in order to avoid the private applications for them, I beg to suggest that they be sold at their face value to the Superintendent of the Philadelphia Mint for the coin collection at the Mint. The Superintendent is authorized to expend each year $500. out of the Contingent Fund of the Mint for coins for this collection; if he buys these pieces worth a premium he can use them to advantage in purchasing other rare pieces for the collection. In fact, they will have greater purchasing power than the same amount of ordinary cash and perhaps in effect amount to doubling his appropriation for one year. A special regulation should be adopted providing that all purchases or exchanges made with these coins shall have the approval of the Director of the Mint or that an annual report be made to the Secretary of the Treasury in which all transactions in which these coins are involved are specifically described.

The amount now available in the appropriation is probably not sufficient to purchase all of these coins outright but if it is definitely settled that they are to be disposed of in this manner they can be considered sold, payment to be made as soon as funds are available.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint

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February 1, 1912.

Mr. W. L. Read,
c/o J. A. Lyons & Co.,
378 Wabash Avenue,
Chicago, Ill.

Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of January 30th, I beg to say that the coinage charge upon gold bullion deposited at the mints was removed by the act of January 14, 1875 entitled "An Act to provide for the resumption of Specie Payments" and there has been no charge for the coinage of standard gold bullion since that date. If bullion contains base metals which must be removed in order to make it fit for coinage a charge equal to the cost of the required treatment is imposed. There is also a melting charge upon all bullion of $1.00 for each melt not exceeding 1,000 ounces.

Respectfully,

A. Piatt

Assistant Secretary.

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February 7, 1912.

Dear Mr. President:

Congressman Arthur W. Kopp, of Wisconsin, filed in November last with the Department a request that he be named as a member of this year's Assay Commission and a promise was made that his name would be included in the list submitted. It was accidentally omitted and some embarrassment has resulted. It is not too late, however, to remedy the error if you will designate him.

Respectfully yours,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

The President,
The White House.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Frank M. Downer, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colorado, the sum of $152,912.45 on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver during the month of January, and that the bullion fund of said mint be increased in that amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury in the name of Frank M. Downer, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colorado, the sum of fifteen thousand dollars on account of the profits on the coinage of one cent bronze pieces, and that the Minor Coinage Account of said Mint be increased in that amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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The Chief
of the Division of Appointments.

Sir:

In reply to your circular letter of the 3rd instant with regard to the duties, etc., of messengers, I have to submit the following:-

Name.	Hours of Service.	Duties.
E. L. Russell	8 to 4:30 *	Regular messenge and in charge o ing list.
Charles Edwards	8 to 4:30 *	Regular messenge
John T. Bryant	9 to 4:30	Skilled Laborer. ers work in the tory; making cu

* These messengers remain after 4:30, until Director excuses them.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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February 9,

Memorandum for the Secretary.

In regard to the request of Congressmen Ashbrook and K for permission to examine the one and three dollar gold pie now in the hands of the Treasurer, and to be allowed to buy them at their face value, I beg to refer you to my previous recommendation that these pieces be sold to the Superintende of the Philadelphia Mint for the benefit of the coin collect in that institution. All of these pieces are now understood to be worth a premium, and some of them may be worth conside ably more than others. If the Curator of the collection doe not desire to retain these coins he will be able to use them advantageously in making exchanges for other rare pieces. I Messrs. Ashbrook and Kopp desire any particular pieces to fil out their collections they will perhaps be able to affect suc exchanges with the Curator to the mutual advantage of themsel and the Mint collection. If, however, these gentlemen are allowed to take their pick of the lot at face value other collectors or applicants cannot fairly be refused the privile of doing the same and the entire plan to benefit the Mint collection will have to be abandoned.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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February 10, 1912.

Sir;

Your communication of the 7th instant addressed to this Department relative to proposed legislation providing for the coinage of a three-cent piece, and making inquiry as to why the Government discontinued the coinage of the three-cent piece some years ago, has been received.

Replying to the latter inquiry I beg to say that the original argument for the three-cent piece seems to have been that inasmuch as three cents was then the postage charge upon an ordinary letter it would be a convenience to have a coin of the same denomination in common circulation. The piece was authorized to be coined in silver and in size and appearance was so much like the dime that much confusion resulted, and as no considerable demand for the three-cent piece developed its coinage was discontinued. The total amount coined from 1852 to 1873 was $1,282,087.20.

The question whether or not there is such prospective need for a three-cent piece as to warrant a repetition of the experiment is one which Congress perhaps is as well qualified as the Department to answer. There has been no such demand

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in the past. On general principles it is not desirable to multiply the number of denominations, chiefly because the public finds it a convenience to be able to distinguish the coins by their size.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

Hon. W. W. Griest,
House of Representatives.

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Mr. James L. Wilmeth,
Chief Clerk, Treasury Department.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 10th instant asking, for the use of the Secretary in making reply to the Chairman of the House Committee on appropriations, for an explanation of the necessity for a telephone connection between my residence and my office, I beg to say that a great deal of overtime work is necessarily done in this Bureau at some seasons of the year and it is necessary for the Director to have ready means of communication with the Bureau; it is also highly desirable that he shall have at all times ready and direct communication with the Mint at Philadelphia and the Assay Office at New York.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Edward Sweeny, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Cal., the sum of $10,000 on account of the profits on the coinage of one-cent pieces and that the Minor Coinage Account of said Mint be increased in this amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Edward Sweeny, Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco, the sum of $345,198.77 on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver during the month of January, and that the bullion fund of said Mint be increased in that amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of John H. Landis, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, the sum of $68,990.49 on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver, and that the bullion fund of said Mint be increased in that amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of John H. Landis, Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia, the sum of $196,263.52 and that the Minor Coinage Account of said Mint be increased in like amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

The following is a statement showing the number of documents received by and distributed through this Bureau during the year 1911, and the number remaining on hand:-

Report of the Director of the Mint on the Production of the Precious Metals in the United States during the Calendar year 1909. Document No. 2604.

Received ----------	1500	copies.
Distributed ----------	1430	"
On hand Jan 1, 1912--	70	"

Report of the Director of the Mint for the Fiscal year 1910. Document No. 2602.

Received ----------	1500	copies.
Distributed ----------	1465	"
On hand Jan. 1,1912-	35	"

Proceedings of the Assay Commission of 1911, and test of Coinage Executed and Reserved during the calendar year 1910. Document No. 2609.

Received ----------	300	copies.
Distributed --------	205	"
On hand Jan.1, 1912	95	"

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that blank form of bond in the sum of five thousand dollars ($5000) be prepared for execution by Frederic P. Dewey, Assayer, Bureau of the Mint, Treasury Department. Mr. Dewey was appointed Assayer January 19, 1903.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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February 19, 1912.

Hon. John E. Raker,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Responding to your letter of February 13th, I beg to say that the Treasury Department has never favored or even considered closing the refinery in the San Francisco Mint.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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February 19, 1912.

Hon. Thomas W. Hardwick, Chairman,
Committee on Coinage, Weights & Measures,
House of Representatives.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt from your Committee of a copy of H. R. 12217, a bill to establish an assay office at Portland, Oregon, for which my opinion is requested. Replying thereto I beg to say that in my Annual Report I have recommended the discontinuance of all assay offices maintained at public expense except the one located at New York City. The Department has long been of the opinion that the services rendered by these offices to the public were of insignificant value and did not warrant the expenditure of the sums required to maintain them. An office at Portland would not be an exception. There are two gold producing fields in the State of Oregon, one in the southern part of the state, which is conveniently served by the Mint at San Francisco, and the other in the eastern portion of the state which is nearer to the Boise Assay Office than it would be to one at Portland. Under the circumstances I cannot recommend the establishment of an office at Portland.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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February 19, 1912.

Hon. A. W. Lafferty,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Pursuant to your request I am enclosing herewith a copy of my letter to the Chairman of the Committee on Coinage, Weights and Measures relative to H. R. 12217.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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February 19, 1912.

Hon. Edward L. Taylor, Jr.,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Referring to the enclosed letter from W. F. Felch, of Columbus, which is herewith returned, I beg to say that the Government has made no contract with anybody for refining bullion. The article by French has no foundation except in the fact that the refinery connected with the Philadelphia Mint has been closed. The Government has a refinery in connection with the U. S. Assay Office in New York City and as the Philadelphia Mint receives very little bullion from original sources it was closed as a measure of economy. The bullion produced in the West goes naturally to either the San Francisco Mint or the Denver Mint while bullion imported on the Atlantic Coast practically all comes in at the port of New York and is deposited at the New York Assay Office.

Referring to the second inquiry as to the discontinuance of gold coinage I am enclosing herewith a Treasury circular which contains a copy of the act. The only effect is to allow gold certificates to be issued directly against bullion instead of requiring that all bullion shall be converted into coin before certificates may be issued. The Mints of the United States are still open to all the gold that may be produced in the world and by means of certificates it enters immediately into the monetary stock of the country but as the Treasury now holds over a thousand million dollars of gold coin there is evidently no reason why it should go on converting all bullion receipts into coin. The estimates for the Mint Service for the next fiscal year have been reduced by more than $100,000 as a result of this simple change in the act authorizing gold certificates.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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February 21, 1912.

Dear Mr. Andrew:

Replying to Mr. Burleson's inquiry at your hearings upon the estimates for information as to what changes would have to be made in the estimates to provide for a discontinuance of coinage operations at the San Francisco Mint and for supplying the territory heretofore tributary to that mint from the Denver Mint, I beg to say:

I assume that the inquiry relates only to the possible discontinuance of coinage operations and that Congress will favor keeping the mint open to receive, assay, buy and refine gold bullion, and to convert the same into bars suitable for the issue of gold certificates under the terms of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1911. The San Francisco Mint is one of the most important gold-receiving offices of the Mint Service, ranking second last year, with deposits of $60,596,665, while the New York Assay Office was first with deposits of $73,960,079.81. Both of these offices receive considerable amounts of foreign bullion and coin and are intimately related with our foreign trade. Among the receipts at San Francisco last year was over $5,000,000 in Japanese gold coin, which signifies a movement in settlement of trade balances. The cost at which gold can be moved from foreign countries to an office of the Treasury and converted into money of the United States sets a limit upon the price of exchange and thus affects indirectly a much larger volume of trade than is affected directly. When the future possibilities of trade upon the Pacific Ocean is considered it seems evident that there should always be an office of the Treasury on the Pacific Coast where foreign gold can be received at its assay value.

In this connection it should be remembered that all of the cost of refining or in any way preparing gold bullion for coinage or bars is deducted from the value of the bullion when it is purchased, and that the estimates for the support of the mints for the next fiscal year take no account of the mint charges for refining bullion, which will be turned into the general fund of the Treasury as a miscellaneous receipt. The income from bullion deposited at the San Francisco Mint in 1911 was $65,003.30.

The estimates for the San Francisco Mint for the fiscal year 1913 provide for the maintenance of all departments, but with gold coinage on a reduced scale, as contemplated by the Act of March 2, 1911. The total amount estimated for the coining department in "Wages of Workmen" is $26,000, all of which may be eliminated if no coinage is to be done. An amount estimated by the Bureau at $7,000

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may also be taken from "Wages of Workmen" on account of other departments, making a total reduction of $33,000 in this fund. In the salary list the superintendent of the coining department, at $2,500, and one clerk at $1,600 may be dropped. The appropriation for Contingent Expenses may be reduced by $5,000. In all, the estimates for the San Francisco Mint may be reduced $42,000 by suspending coinage operations at that institution.

If, however, the Denver Mint is to supply the silver, nickel and bronze coinage which in the estimates were allotted to the San Francisco Mint it will be necessary to considerably increase the estimates for the former institution. It is now working with a well-balanced force up to the limit of its capacity for the number of employes and cannot handle more coinage than has already been allotted to it without increasing its force and its expenditures for supplies. It will be observed that of the reductions which may be made at San Francisco only the superintendent of the coining department, a clerk and possibly one or two foremen belong to the overhead expenditures. All of the rest is for wages of workmen and supplies and cannot be reduced without reducing the ~~amount of~~ total coinage of all the mints in a corresponding degree. In other words, there is little to be saved in merely shifting the coinage from San Francisco to Denver so long as the main organization at San Francisco must be maintained. We must keep the Superintendent and the entire force for receiving, melting, assaying, refining and safeguarding the bullion, including the bookkeeping and clerical force and the care of the building.

The amount of silver, nickel and bronze coinage contemplated for the San Francisco Mint would not, however, fully occupy the coining department and possibly would not take more than half its time. It was planned to reduce the force in this department to the lowest effective basis and have it do as much gold coinage as possible in addition to the small coins. In this connection I think the Committee's attention should be directed to the fact that the Act of March 2, 1911 does not contemplate a complete suspension of gold coinage. It merely authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury, in his discretion, to issue gold certificates against deposits of gold bullion and foreign gold coin, expressly providing that the amount of gold bullion and foreign gold coin so held "shall not at any time exceed one-third of the total amount of gold certificates at such time outstanding". On the first day of the current month the total amount of gold certificates outstanding was $1,035,612,369, of which under the terms of the Act $345,204,123 might be in bullion and foreign gold coin while all of the rest must be in United States gold coin. The reserve at that date consisted of $935,173,533 in United States coin and $100,438,836 in bullion. It is therefore possible and also desirable to increase the stock of bullion, but as the deposits of gold bullion at all offices of the Service during the last fiscal year amounted to $175,383,090.44 it evidently will not be possible to completely suspend the coinage of gold for many years unless a further change in the statute is made. This is the vital fact to be considered in connection with the proposal to close the coining department of the San Francisco Mint. If the coinage of

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advantage in temporarily closing the coining department of that institution. It may as well continue to do a moderate amount of gold coinage from year to year.

If, however, Congress should decide upon this policy it is estimated that $18,000 should be added to the "Wages of Workmen" Fund of the Denver Mint, one clerk at $1,600 a year to the salary list and that $2,500 be added to the Contingent Fund. The difference between these additions to the Denver estimates and the subtraction from the San Francisco estimates would represent the expenditures upon gold coinage if operations were continued at San Francisco.

There are still other features of the case to be considered, to-wit,-

First. The San Francisco Mint does a considerable amount of coinage for the Philippine Islands. It is now a diminishing quantity but for the last fiscal year the charges collected amounted to $20,962.40. At the existing express rate on coin from Denver to San Francisco the charges on these coins, if shipped by express from Denver to San Francisco would have been $7,977.25. While this additional expense would not come out of the United States Treasury it is entitled to consideration. The Philippine Government would probably find it advantageous to have its coinage done at a foreign mint rather than pay the high inland transportation charges.

The San Francisco Mint was also in receipt last year of $5,111.08 for coinage done for Salvador which might not have been done in this country if inland transportation charges were added to the cost. The total earnings of the San Francisco Mint last year for coinage done for other countries were $26,073.48.

Second. The average annual coinage of the San Francisco Mint in subsidiary silver coin for the last ten years has been a little above $1,000,000, all of which has gone into circulation upon the Pacific Coast and indicates about the absorption of that region. The cost of transporting $1,000,000 in subsidiary silver coin from the Denver Mint to the San Francisco Sub-treasury at the existing express rate would be $9,000. These charges are paid from the appropriation for Contingent Expenses of the Independent Treasury and as the estimates for that appropriation were made without contemplating this item they should be correspondingly increased if the expenditure is to be incurred.

The amount of nickels and bronze cents used on the Pacific Coast has in former years been small but is rapidly increasing. For the last fiscal year the amount of these coins which was delivered at the San Francisco Sub-treasury for distribution on the Coast, if shipped from Denver, would have involved express charges aggregating $5,583.50. Altogether the express charges from Denver to San Francisco on last year's coinage for the Philippines and for small coins for the Pacific Coast would have amounted to $22,560.75. These computations are made at existing rates. It is probable that some reduction could be obtained upon them if the Treasury was ready to enter into contract for the carriage of considerable sums over a per-

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the absorption of the small coins on the Pacific Coast is likely within a few years to largely exceed the average for the last ten years.

Finally, it is to be considered that if the coining department is shut down the machinery is likely to deteriorate and of course the organization of skilled workmen must go. With a full desire to cooperate with the Committee in all efforts to eliminate unnecessary expenditures I am moved to urge that no action be taken in haste that will impose great hardship upon a force of trustworthy and deserving employes. Most of these men have spent years in acquiring skill which makes them valuable to the Government but the trade is not one in which they can find employment elsewhere, and even if no consideration be given to employes who have handled billions of dollars worth of treasure with scrupulous fidelity, it will not pay as a matter of common business policy to close the coining department temporarily and scatter a force of men whose integrity and skill have been tested only to reopen it in a short time. Men are not trained for this work anywhere but in the Mint Service.

The policy of the Service has been planned with a view to economy on a permanent basis. The discontinuance of assay offices has been recommended on the ground that there is no longer the occasion for them that originally existed. Changes have been recommended in the mint organizations simplifying them and effecting greater flexibility in the working forces. The number of mints has been reduced to three, two of which are conveniently located to receive bullion direct from producers. The Philadelphia Mint, although not directly related to any bullion-producing district, is well located for the manufacture and distribution of the subsidiary and minor coins. The New York Assay Office will receive the gold bullion coming into the country on the Atlantic Coast and convert it into bars. It is the policy of the Treasury to fill orders for coin from which ever mint they can be shipped at the lowest transportation charge, whether the charge is paid by the Treasury or consignee. This gives the bulk of the small coinage to the Philadelphia Mint but an important share goes to the Denver Mint. The San Francisco Mint has a much smaller tributary population but it is so important an institution in gold receipts and in probable relations to foreign trade with that coast that the Bureau has never contemplated closing it and can see no economy in closing one department. With continually increasing demands tributary to it we might expect that there would be constant agitation to resume coinage operations and that this would eventually be done. In that case nothing would have been gained by the suspension and grave and unnecessary injury would have been done to the employes.

This letter has gone into details in order that the Committee may be fully informed as to all the facts which have influenced the policy of the Department in making up the estimates.

Respectfully,

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February 21,

The Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 15th instant I beg to report that there is one numbering instrument in this Bureau. The name of the same is "Excelsior" and it bears no serial number or other identification marks.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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February 23, 1912.

Hon. Victor Berger,
House of Representatives.

My dear Sir:

My attention has been called to a newspaper report of your resolution asking for an investigation of the charges recently circulated by a furloughed employe of the San Francisco Mint to the effect that "refining branches of the United States mints are to be closed and the coinage work turned over to the Trust". You are also quoted as saying that the said mint employe voluntarily resigned to attack the alleged conspiracy.

I am moved to assure you that I shall be pleased to have your resolution adopted and an investigation of these widely circulated baseless charges made by the House Committee on Expenditures in the Treasury Department. There is no foundation whatever for them except in the fact that having recently reopened a new and thoroughly modern refinery in connection with the Assay Office in New York we have deemed it unnecessary to continue the refinery which has been operated at the Mint in Philadelphia. The Philadelphia Mint does not directly serve any bullion-producing district and receives but little gold from original sources. It is occupied chiefly with the coinage of the subsidiary silver and minor coins and is so near to New York that one refinery can fully serve both institutions. The refineries in the Denver and San Francisco mints are in operation and their discontinuance has never been considered by the Department. Their maintenance during the ensuing fiscal year and that of the refinery in the New York Assay Office is provided for in the estimates of this Department which were submitted to Congress at the opening of the present session and now pending before the House Committee on Appropriations.

The mint employe referred to who has professed to know of contemplated policies which this Department has never entertained was furloughed without pay on January 31, 1912 in a reduction of the force of employes of the San Francisco Mint. His published statement appeared the following day and he has since been dismissed from the Service for having "written, and caused to be published, statements regarding Mint affairs and Government officials that are preposterous, scandalous and untrue".

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

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February 23, 19

My dear Mr. Cox:

I am inclosing for your information a copy of a letter which I have today addressed to Mr. Berger in regard to his resolution asking for an investigation of the charges recently circulated by a furloughed employee of the San Francisco Mint.

Very truly yours,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

Hon. William E. Cox,
Chairman, Committee on Expenditures
in the Treasury Department,
House of Representatives.

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The Secretary of the Treasury presents his compliments to the Honorable the Secretary of State and, replying to his letter of February 17, 1912, has the honor to state that copies of the Reports of the Director of the Mint were forwarded to the Director of the Bureau of Mines, Geology and Hydrolics, Buenos Aires, and his name placed upon the permanent mailing list of that Bureau, under date of September 11, 1911.

Duplicate copies of the Reports are forwarded herewith for transmission through the State Department, to the American Charge d'Affaires at Buenos Aires, for delivery to the Director of the Division of Mines, Geology and Hydrolics, Buenos Aires, Argentine Republic.

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February 24, 1912.

Hon. Thomas W. Hardwick, Chairman,
Committee on Coinage, Weights & Measures,
House of Representatives.

My dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 22nd instant to the Director of the Mint and by way of reply thereto I am enclosing herewith copy of a letter addressed to Mr. Fitzgerald, Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, and of the paragraph which it is proposed to have inserted in the General Appropriation Bill.

While the Department has no objection to additional authority covering the publication of a booklet it has been thought perhaps best not to ask for the privilege of issuing both a medal and a booklet at this time. The argument for both is that some people prefer a descriptive pamphlet to a medal while others prefer a medal, but the double proposition may be confusing to the Committee and if we have authority to inaugurate the sale of medals and put that policy into successful operation we can later on ask that the privilege of issuing a pamphlet be also granted.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

See following letter
to Fitzgerald

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February 24, 1912.

Hon. John J. Fitzgerald, Chairman,
Committee on Appropriations,
House of Representatives

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of certain resolutions adopted by the Annual Assay Commission which held its sessions in Philadelphia on the 14th and 15th of the present month. This Commission followed the several previous commissions in recommending that greater liberality should be shown by Congress in appropriations for the support of the Cabinet of Coins and Medals in the Philadelphia Mint and with a view to providing additional funds for the purchase of historic coins and medals without appropriating more money from the Treasury it recommended that a souvenir medal be struck and offered for sale to visitors at the Mint, the proceeds to be appropriated for the benefit of the Cabinet.

In my judgment this is a practical and wholly commendable proposal. The Mint attracts thousands of visitors annually and a great many of them enquire if there is not some medal or descriptive pamphlet that they may buy as a souvenir of their visit. In times past private publications giving the history of the Mint and of United States coinage and a brief history of the art of coinage were permitted to be sold by guides in the Mint and large numbers were sold annually. For years guides were also permitted to sell a small souvenir medal carrying a picture of the old mint building, from which it is understood private parties derived considerable profit. These practices have been discontinued and are now forbidden, it being deemed improper to allow the sale of private books and medals on Government property. It is evident, however, that a genuine public demand exists for something of the kind and that if a suitable medal, perhaps bearing the portrait of the President or of George Washington, was placed on sale at 25¢ or 50¢ large numbers would be taken by visitors and a sum probably amounting to several thousand dollars per annum would be realized.

The Cabinet of the Mint was established many years ago, in fact dates back almost to the founding of the institution, and notwithstanding the small amount of money which has been expended upon it is now one of the most interesting and valuable collections in the country, being particularly strong in examples of the early coinages of North and South America. If the collection was placed on sale it would bring many times its cost but it should be maintained and enlarged, particularly by the addition of the coinages of

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of whatever historical medals are struck in the Americas.

The plan proposed involves practically no expense to the Treasury; the medals, if authorized, will be offered to visitors without solicitation and those who buy will be glad of the privilege. The proceeds will in time make the Cabinet of the Mint one of the most notable and instructive institutions of the kind in the world.

I am enclosing herewith a paragraph with the suggestion that if the purpose in view appeals to you and has the favor of your committee the same be incorporated in the Appropriation Bill carrying the support funds for the Philadelphia Mint. If this is done it should be inserted immediately following the appropriation for the Contingent Expenses of the Mint, which has regularly carried $500. for the use of the Cabinet.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

See letter to Hardwick

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And the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to have an appropriate design prepared for a souvenir medal, copi of which shall be struck at the Mint and placed on sale in the Cabinet for the benefit of a fund for enlarging the collection of coins and medals. The price of the medals shall be fixed the Secretary of the Treasury but shall not exceed fifty cents where the composition is of bronze, and a correspondingly highe sum when struck in silver or gold. The appropriate funds of t mint shall be reimbursed from the proceeds of medal sales for t cost of all metals used in the manufacture of such medals, but the remainder of the proceeds shall be turned into a fund which may be drawn upon from time to time for the purchase of coins and medals of historic interest and value. And the Secretary of the Treasury shall provide rules and regulations governing the sale of such souvenir medals and all expenditures from the fund thus created.

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February 28, 1912.

Dear Mr. Raker:

Replying to your telephone inquiry of this morning I am forwarding a copy of a recent letter from the Director of the Mint setting forth the reasons why the San Francisco Mint should be retained as a receiving office and refinery for gold, and certain considerations favoring the retention of coinage operations at that institution. There is also attached, as requested, a table showing the earnings and expenditures of the San Francisco Mint for the past ten years, and a copy of the Report of the Director of the Mint for the fiscal year 1910. The Report for 1911 is now in the hands of the printer.

Respectfully,

A. Piatt Andrew

Assistant Secretary.

Hon. John E. Raker,
House of Representatives.

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March 1,

The Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

Referring to circulat letter of the 27th ultimo calling attention to letter received from Hon. H. D. Clayton, with regard to "nature of the accidents and injuries sustained" by employees since the passage of the Act of May 30, 1908, I beg to submit the following information covering injuries sustaine by employees in the Mint Service from May 30, 1908 to February 1, 1912:-

MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

Designation of Employee.	Time Lost.	Amount Paid.	Nature of Acci
Asst. Engineer	60	$200	Fell from top of boiler crus hands.
Roller	--	---	Returned to work within fift
Helper	234	702	Hauling trucks: strained and work.
Watchman	125	313	Fell on floor; fractured arm
Electrician	43	129	Ladder gave way while cleani tator. Index finger cut off
Helper	17	56	Hand caught in machinery req amputation of third finger.
Helper	52	182	Gold bars dropped from scale ing on foot.
Charwoman	59	49	Slipped on wet floor. Injure
Plumber	18	63	Repairing steam pipe. Severe
Plumber	20	70	Hand injured.
Helper	17	59	Hand crushed in machinery.
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MINT AT SAN FRANCISCO.

	Amt. Bro. Fwd.	$1,823	
Helper	18	63	Hand caught in gearing. Index fing amputated.
Helper	261	914	Left hand caught in roll and severe lacerated.
Skilled Workman	313	1252	Ribs broken by heavy pan falling up
Helper	31	109	Truck broke and fell on arm.
Helper	60	178	Falling of coin stack. General inj

MINT AT DENVER.

Helper	25	100	Foot crushed.
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Total -------		4,439.	

Several of the employes in the service are now receiving compensat the Act of May 30, 1908.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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The Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I enclose herewith Form C. A.-1, IMMEDIATE REPORT OF ACCIDENTAL INJURY to Jacob O. Hunsberger, injured February 28, 1912, for transmission to the Department of Commerce and Labor.

Respectfully,

Geo. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Mr. John H. Buxton,
Equitable Building,
Baltimore, Md.

Sir:

Your letter of February 20th, addressed to the President, has been referred to this Department. What you say as to the possibilities of future development of the gold mining industry in the Southern States is most interesting but the Department is of the opinion that you exaggerate the importance of the Charlotte Office to that industry. The Mint at Philadelphia is within easy shipping distance, and the Express charges on bullion from Charlotte will be little, if any, greater than the local Assay Office charges now imposed. From other localities of the South the Express charges to the Philadelphia Mint will not be much greater than to the Charlotte Office.

Respectfully,

A. Piatt Andrew

Assistant Secretary.

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Hon. A. Piatt Andrew,
Assistant Secretary.

My dear Sir:

The letter from the Secretary of the Treasury dated February 16th relative to contracts for common supplies through the medium of the General Supply Committee, referred by you to this Bureau, has received careful attention.

Replying thereto I beg to say that the most of our purchases are of a class of supplies which are peculiar to the Mint Service and which I believe this Bureau can purchase more advantageously and satisfactorily than the General Supply Committee. The largest single item in our list is graphite crucibles. We are endeavoring now to standardize a line of crucibles for the Mint Service with a view of getting sizes and shapes which will give the longest service for the different kinds of metal which we handle. This is a problem which cannot be worked out anywhere but in the mints. We expect to accomplish results worth while and would like to be allowed to handle these purchases ourselves. There are not enough crucibles bought by other departments to make a consolidation of purchases an important matter; moreover, the crucibles wanted by other departments are for brass work and not well adapted for the Mint Service. At present we invite local bids for crucibles for all the institutions and compare these bids with the cost of purchasing at a central point and making shipments to each institution. For instance, if we can supply

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economically on the Philadelphia contract than by accepting a local bid we do so.

Gloves and mitts are another important item on our schedules. These goods are made especially for our operations and are bought under one contract for the entire service.

Acids and chemicals are a large item in our expenses, but it has always been found advantageous to buy these on local contracts, shipping rates in less than car-load lots being prohibitive. The same, of course, is true of coal, charcoal and coke.

Of course, it is useless to consider the purchase of these supplies on Washington delivery. We would be glad to consider the feasibility of buying coal in conjunction with other government offices located in the same cities where our offices are located, if the Supply Committee is equipped to handle all outside service. We buy coal on a standard test.

Upon the above named supplies we have no means of comparing the prices we pay with the cost of the same if purchased under the General Supply Committee but in the case of gasoline, another important item in our expenditures, comparison may be made. The General Supply Committee quotes gasoline 66° at 16½¢ per gallon; we are buying gasoline 66° at the Philadelphia Mint at .079 per gallon and this grade is only used during the winter season, about four months; during the remainder of the year we use 62° grade at 7 cents per gallon. It is bought with the understanding that it shall be kept to this gravity and is tested in the assay laboratory of the Philadelphia Mint.

On machine oils the figures of the Philadelphia contract and the General Supply Committee's schedule are as follows:

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	Philadelphia Mint.	General Supply Comm.
Cylinder oil	16¢	25½¢
Rolling mill	12	22½
Lubricating	13	19

The Denver Mint is supplied with oil on the Philadelphia contract.

There are only a few items in the schedules on which prices are comparable. The Philadelphia Mint is paying $11. per gross for Ivory Soap which is quoted by the General Supply Committee at $11.50; Castile Soap is purchased at the San Francisco Mint at $0.089 and quoted by the General Supply Committee at $0.13. In view of the foregoing quotations we hesitate to turn the purchase of our supplies over to the General Supply Committee.

If the General Supply Committee can give prices including deliveries at the cities in which mint offices are located it will facilitate the comparison of prices with the Mint schedules. The quotations of the General Supply Committee's schedules are, I understand, "for delivery at Washington" at which point we have no office.

Below is a list of supplies which it would seem might be advantageously purchased in conjunction with other government services having offices in the same cities, and the Bureau of the Mint will be glad to cooperate to that end. These purchases, however, are not large, and if any additional administrative expense is involved the gains will be more than absorbed:

Brushes	Matches
Brooms	Tumblers
Soaps	Sponges
Cleaning Powders	Toilet paper
Polishing solutions	Toweling
Mops	Cheese Cloth

Inasmuch as the matter of purchases for the field service of this Bureau is now under way I beg to request that you advise me

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whether the purchases for the fiscal year 1913 are to be made under the direction of this Bureau or whether you wish the list of requirements to be turned over to the General Supply Committee.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint

s.

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Hon. James Rolph, Jr.,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Your telegram of February 28th addressed to the President has been referred to this Department. Replying thereto I beg to say that the estimates submitted by this Department to Congress at the beginning of the present session were made with a view to the continued operations of all departments of the San Francisco Mint for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1913, and if appropriations are made as asked for in the estimates all departments of the Mint will remain in operation.

Respectfully,

A. Piatt Andrew

Assistant Secretary.

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Mr. A. L. Harrigan,
President San Francisco
Real Estate Board,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Your telegram of February 28th addressed to the President has been referred to this Department. Replying thereto I beg to say that the estimates submitted by this Department to Congress at the beginning of the present session were made with a view to the continued operations of all departments of the San Francisco Mint for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1913, and if appropriations are made as asked for in the estimates all departments of the Mint will remain in operation.

Respectfully,

A. Piatt Andrew

Assistant Secretary.

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Mr. E. F. Treadwell, President,
The Greater San Francisco Association,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Your telegram of the 27th of February addressed to the President has been referred to this Department. Replying thereto I beg to say that the estimates submit by this Department to Congress at the beginning of the present session were made with a view to the continued operations of all departments of the San Francisco Mint for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1913, and if appropriations are made as asked for in the estimates all departments of the Mint will remain in operation.

Respectfully,

A. Piatt Andrew

Assistant Secretary.

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The Chairman, Committee on Printing,

United States Senate.

Sir:

I have the honor to direct your attention to paragraph 13, page 77 of Senate bill 4239, "To amend, revise, and codify the laws relating to the public printing and binding and the distribution of Government publications," which was reported by you with amendments on February 28, 1912.

This paragraph contains provision for printing as a Congressional document the "Annual Report of the Director of the Mint on the Production of the Precious Metals, with appendices."

Heretofore it has been the custom to publish the Annual Report of the Director of the Mint on the Operations of the Mint Service for the fiscal year in a separate volume from that containing his report on the production of the precious metals. There has been more or less duplication of matter in the two volumes, and confusion exists in the minds of the public in regard to them. It has therefore been deemed in the interest of economy, and convenience as well, to make a condensation of both reports and include them in one volume. This is being done with the current report now in process of printing.

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In view of the above facts, I have the honor to request an amendment to the paragraph mentioned by the insertion, at the end of the first line thereof after the words "on the" of the following: "Operations of the Mint Service and the"; so that the paragraph as amended will read:

> "(13) Annual Report of the Director of the Mint on the Operations of the Mint Service and the Production of Precious Metals, with appendices: Provided, That the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to print not to exceed two thousand copies for distribution by the Treasury Department."

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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, March 2, 1912

The Honorable
The Secretary of State,

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith a series of interrogatories prepared by the Director of the Mint, regarding the production, coinage, and industrial consumption of gold and silver, as well as other monetary matters, and to request that a copy of the same be transmitted to the Ambassadors and Ministers of the United States accredited to the several foreig countries. I have also to request that a copy be sent to the following Consulates of the United States:-

Cairo, Egypt.
China, Amoy, Canton, Chefoo, Chungking, Foochow, Mukden, Nanking, Newchwang, Shanghai, Swatow, Tientsin, Hankow
Boma Kongo, Africa,
Maskat Oman, Arabia,
Zanzibar, Zanzibar,
Aden, Arabia,
Auckland, New Zealand,
Bombay, India,
Calcutta, India,
Capetown, Cape of Good Hope,
Colombo, Ceylon,
Dawson, Yukon Territory,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.
Hobart, Tasmania.
Hongkong, China.
Transvaal, Africa,
Melbourne, Australia,
Sandakan, Brit. North Borneo,
Singapore, Straits Settlement
Sydney, Australia,
Sydney, Nova Scotia,
Batavia, Java,
Macassar, Celebes,
Laurence, Marquez, E. Africa,
Tamatave, Madagascar,
Adis Ababa, Abyssinia,
Adelaide, Australia,
Seoul., Korea,
Brisbane, Queensland,
Newcastle, New South Wales,
Georgetown, British Guiana,
Georgetown, Dutch Guiana,
Georgetown, French Guiana,
Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.
Alexandria, Egypt,
Perth, West Australia,

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The information to be elicited by the interrogatories i for the use of the Bureau of the Mint, which has for many ye collected and published statistics relating to the productio of gold and silver and monetary statistics in general.

It is respectfully suggested that the following possible sources of information regarding these subjects be enumerated for the guidance of the foreign representatives to whom these inquiries are addressed:- Government treasuries, finance departments, mints, statistical bureaus, mining and geological burqaus, boards of trade or commerce, customs bureaus, scientific societies, especially mining and engineering, and technical experts of recognized standing.

This suggestion is made for the reason that sometimes in the cases of past inquiries when it was found impossible to get information from one source the inquiries were dropped although the data might have been obtained elsewhere.

It will greatly facilitate the compilation of the statistics if you will kindly give instructions that the replies to interrogatories be forwarded at the earliest possible date direct to George E. Roberts, Director of the Mint, Treasury Department, Washington, D.C.

Respectfully,

Secretary.

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My dear Senator:

Replying to your letter of the 1st instant relative to the reorganization of the official force of the Philadelphia Mint as proposed in this year's estimates I beg to say that this change in the Mint organization was not directe at Mr. Freed personally, or the Philadelphia Mint, but applie to all of the mints. The purpose in view was to simplify the organization and to bring all departments directly under the control and authority of the Superintendent and thus avoid the friction which has frequently developed between the superintendents and the operative officers. Heretofore the Coiner and the Melter and Refiner have had their appointments directly from the President, have felt a large degree of independence and have often refused to recognize the authority of the Superintendent. The result has been a lack of coordination in the operation of the several departments and a want of flexibility in the working force, it being impracticable to transfer men from one department to another and use the force in the most effective manner. The proposed change has been under consideration for a long time, but the recent reduction in the coinage operations at all of the mints has made it

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more important and desirable. With the extension of the authority of the Superintendent to cover the melting and refining and the coining departments we have proposed an increase in the salary of the Superintendent in each of the mints from $4500 to $5000. It was thought, however, that $2500 was sufficient for the employee who was to act, so to speak, as a general foreman in charge of the coining operations. The salary of this "superintendent of the coining department" was therefore fixed at $2500 per annum in all of the mints. Taking the service as a whole it is believed that this will be a much more effective as well as economical organization than the old one.

I assume from Mr. Freed's letter of February 13th, which you enclose, that Mr. Freed would not consider retaining the positic with the "changes in responsibilities and authority" now contemplat even if the former salary were continued. I do not see, however, h we could appropriately or effectively propose an exception in the ca of the Philadelphia Mint to the general plan of administration which has been recommended only after careful study of conditions throughc the Mint Service in all of the different institutions. I should be very glad, however, if it were possible, to meet your desires in the matter. I return your enclosures herewith.

Respectfully,

A. Piatt Andrew

Assistant Secretary.

Hon. Boies Penrose,
United States Senate.

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My dear Senator:

Replying to your letter of the 28th ultimo, relative to the subject matter of the enclosed telegram, I beg to say that the Treasury Department has never contemplated any action looking toward the closing of the San Francisco Mint in any of its offices or operations. The Department submitted estimates to Congress at the present session providing for the maintenance and operation of all departments of the San Francisco Mint for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1913. The Department subsequently received a request from the House Committee on Appropriations for such a revision of the estimates as would be necessitated if Congress were to decide to suspend coinage operations in the San Francisco institution, and only in response to this demand of the Committee were any figures given in exception to our estimates. In submitting these figures, however, a statement was appended from the Director of the Mint clearly stating the disapproval of the Department of any interference with the operations of that institution, together with the reasons for this disapproval.

I should be glad to have these facts given the fullest publicity. The telegram from the Oregon Development League and Portland Commercial Club is returned herewith.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh
Secretary.

Hon. George C. Chamberlain,
United States Senate.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury in the name of Frank M. Downer, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colorado, the sum of $62,314.03 on account of the profits on the coinage of five cent nickel pieces and that the Minor Coinage Account of said Mint be increased in this amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Frank M. Downer, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colorado, the sum of $75,225.29 on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver and that the bullion fund of said mint be increased in this amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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March 7,

The Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith copy of a letter received from the Superintendent of the Assay Office at New York in which he requests modern ordnance stores in lieu of those on hand. Will you please advise me whether or not you can comply with his request.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY RELATIVE TO $5.00 GOLD CERTIFICATES - FROM MR. ROBERTS.

There is little to add to or take from what was said a year ago upon the proposal to issue gold certificates below $10. As a matter of principle it is very desirable to get all of the credit notes of the Government into the small denominations and to keep this field for them. I am aware, however, that the situation becomes a little more difficult to deal with each year as the United States notes and silver certificates of large denominations diminish in volume. The accompanying statements show the denominations of paper money outstanding now and a year ago, from which it appears that the conversion of notes above $10. into denominations below that size amounted during the year to about $30,000,000. There still remains, however, $178,000,000 of United States notes and $34,000,000 of silver certificates in denominations of $10 and higher. I am surprised to note that the number of silver certificates of the $10. denomination has increased by about $6,000,000 during the past year and do not understand why this should be when permission is being asked to issue gold certificates under $10. I understand that United States notes are being re-issued in denominations of $10. It seems to me that the policy of reducing United States notes and silver certificates to denominations below $10. should be systematically pursued and that no gold certificates should be issued under $10. except as a last resort.

Undoubtedly there is difficulty in getting hold of the large United States notes and silver certificates yet outstanding. You will observe that there are $38,950,000 of United States notes in the $1,000 denomination. These are doubtless closely held in bank reserves and I presume the only way to get them is by direct request to the particular banks that are known to hold them. There is no reason why they should not give them up in exchange for gold certificates of the same denomination. The Comptroller of the Currency tells me that his examiners would be able to locate them. If they are held by banks in sub-treasury cities, as is likely the case, the exchange could be effected through the sub-treasuries without expense to the bank.

Eventually, and before long, it will be necessary to have further legislation in order to provide for small notes but I would like to see all of these large credit notes reduced below the $10. size. It means that all our mistakes in the way of monetary legislation, grave and costly as they were when made, have been practically cured by the growth of the country. These credit obligations are

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being reduced practically to the status of small change and when the process is complete they will be no more a menace to the Treasury than our subsidiary and minor coin.

Of course, the enactment of the Aldrich Plan will simplify the entire situation and relieve the Treasury in the future from this entire task of supplying the different denominations required.

W.G.M.

P. S.

Since the above was dictated I have made inquiry concerning the increase in silver certificates of the $10. denomination and find that it was due to the inability of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing to turn out smaller notes fast enough to meet the demand for re-issues. The Treasurer was obliged to pay out what he could get. Of course, this is an abnormal state of affairs for which due allowance must be made but it does not affect the opinion that silver certificates and United States notes should be reduced to the small denominations before gold certificates are made smaller.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY RELATIVE TO $5,000 ORDER GOLD CERTIFICATES- FROM MR. ROBERTS.

I do not understand what demand there can be for these certificates except for use in bank reserves. They are increasingly popular for this use because they are safe from burglary or theft. If you authorize order certificates in smaller denominations they will probably come into general use among country banks for their reserves and this is precisely the objection to them. The Comptroller of the Currency agrees with me that they do not constitute a proper reserve for a country bank. There is no objection to their use in this capacity in cities where there is a sub-treasury because they can readily be cashed but this is not true in the case of country banks. The law contemplates and requires that banks shall carry a certain percentage of ready money reserve and a $5,000 gold certificate payable to order is not cash in that sense.

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Hon. O. W. Underwood, Chairman,
Committee on Ways and Means,
House of Representatives.

Sir:

Replying to your communication of the 6th instant asking for an opinion upon H.R.21216, "A bill to amend an act to amend Section 6 of the Currency Act of March 14, 1900, as amended by the act approved March 4, 1907", I beg to say:

The title is incomplete as it should read "an act to amend Section 6 of the Currency Act of March 14, 1900, as amended by the act approved March 4, 1907, as amended by the act approved March 2, 1911".

The change in the act of March 2, 1911 consists of an amendment by which the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to receive deposits of gold bullion bearing the stamp of any of the existing assay offices of the United States and issue gold certificates therefor, the present act restricting such deposits to gold bullion bearing the stamp of the coinage mints or of the Assay Office in New York. The proposed change is inconsistent with the recommendation of the Department that all assay offices except the one at New York be abolished, but it is objectionable for other reasons as well. It is desirable that all bullion which is made the basis of certificate issues shall be refined and in condition to be readily converted into coin. The coinage mints and the Assay Office in New York are equipped with refineries and all bullion bearing their stamp has passed through their refineries and is suitable for coinage. The other assay offices are not equipped with refineries and to so equip them would involve a heavy and unnecessary expense. Bullion bearing the stamp of these offices would not be in condition for coinage and in the opinion of the Department should not in this condition be made the basis of certificates.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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Hon. Simon Guggenheim,
United States Senate.

My dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 5th instant enclosing a copy of a scurrilous and irresponsible article published by a disgruntled former employe in the San Francisco Mint named French, and purporting to tell of a plot to close the mint refineries.

This man French, I am told, used to be employed in the San Francisco Mint and in a recent reorganization of the force of the institution was notified that he would have to take a lower position with correspondingly lower pay. He declined to accept these conditions and filed his resignation, but afterwards withdrew it and asked to be furloughed without pay. Following the latter action he began a series of sensational articles in the daily press and was forthwith dismissed for having "written and caused to be published, statements regarding Mint affairs and Government officials, that are preposterous, scandalous and untrue."

There is no foundation for any of French's charges except in the single fact that the refinery in the Philadelphia Mint has been closed since the reopening of the refinery in the New York Assay Office, it being deemed unnecessary to continue another refinery so near to the one in New York. The Philadelphia Mint does not serve any bullion producing district and receives but little bullion from original sources. The article published in the Denver Express makes the statement that all of the refineries except the one in the San Francisco Mint have been closed, although if the editor of that paper had taken the trouble to call up the Denver Mint on the telephone he would have learned that the refinery in that institution was running as usual. A new and completely equipped electrolytic refinery was opened in the New York Assay Office on January 1st, last, the greater part of the year 1911 having been occupied in its installation. The estimates submitted by the Treasury Department to the House of Representatives at the opening of the present session of Congress last December, and now pending, include provisions for the support of the refineries in the San Francisco and Denver mints and the New York Assay Office for the coming fiscal year.

The discontinuance of these refineries has never been considered by the Treasury Department, and so far as I know has never been even suggested to the Department by anybody. All of the refineries have been re-equipped within recent years with the latest and most

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approved apparatus, a fact in itself quite inconsistent with the theory that the authorities contemplate closing these departments. Mr. French's articles are false throughout and inexcusably so because all of the facts were easily obtainable. The Superintendents of the Mints at San Francisco and Denver and of the Assay Office at New York were instructed at the close of the last fiscal year to include the cost of operating their refineries in their estimates for the fiscal year 1913, and sent in the estimates accordingly on September 1st, 1911. The man is apparently obsessed with desire to get a share of the publicity and attention just now so easily obtained by making what purport to be sensational disclosures, and is clearly unhampered by any regard for the truth.

Respectfully,

A. J. Pitt Adams

Assistant Secretary.

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Hon. A. Piatt Andrew,
Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

Responding to your communication relative to Department Circular No. 3, of January 6, 1912, and particularly to that clause which forbids Bureau Chiefs to respond "to any request for information from either House of Congress or any committee of either House of Congress or any member of Congress except through or as authorized by the head of his Department", and answering your inquiry as to what kind of information is asked for by members of Congress, I beg to say:

This Bureau is constantly in receipt of communications from members of Congress, accompanied by letters which these members have received from constituents, making various inquiries relative to coinage and monetary affairs, the production of gold and silver, values of foreign coins, &c., &c; also asking for reports of the Bureau. It seems to me that such information may well be given without occupying the time of the head of the Department. I should say that the latter would care to see nothing which was not related in some way to the policies of the Department or of the Administration.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint

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Mr. C. S. Hebert,
Collector, Port of New Orleans,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

Your letter of the 4th instant enclosing a communication signed by the members of the New Orleans Clearing House Association relative to the importance of the New Orleans Mint, now conducted as an Assay Office, and urging its continued maintenance, has been received by the Department and will have due consideration if the views of the Department relative to individual assay offices are desired by the Congress. The question of maintaining the outside assay offices is now in the hands of the committees of Congress, which have conducted a somewhat extended inquiry into the subject but have not as yet made known their conclusions.

Respectfully,

A. Piatt Andrew
Assistant Secretary.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

Under a contract entered into between A. PIATT ANDREW, Assistant Secretary, "By direction of the Secretary of the Treasury", and the W. S. ROCKWELL COMPANY, subscribed to on the 15th day of February, 1911, for furnishing furnaces for the Assay Office at New York, to cost not to exceed $24,982.00, the Rockwell Company contracted "that the same shall be completed in all its parts by the fourteenth day of June, A.D. 1911." The contract further provides "that in the event that the said party of the second part shall fail in the due performance of the entire work to be performed under this contract, by and at the same time herein mentioned or referred to, the said party of the second part shall pay unto the party of the first part, and and for liquidated damages, and not as a penalty, the sum of twenty ($20) dollars for each and every day the said party of the second part shall be in default * * * ."

The contract provides that "it is further covenanted and agreed that the United States shall have the right of suspending the whole or any part of the work herein contracted to be done, whenever in the opinion of the Superintendent it may be necessary for the purposes or advantage of the work, * * *."

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It is further provided that the first payment shall be 50% upon delivery of approximately 90% of the material; the second payment 25% on practically completed installation; third payment 25% after test of sixty working days.

I am advised by the Superintendent of the Assay Office at New York that the first payment was made "upon delivery of 90% of the material". The second payment was made upon "practically completed installation" but that this practically completed installation was under date of July 6th instead of on June 14th. In accordance with the terms of the contract the work should have been "completed in all its parts by the 14th of June", in default of which the Government was entitled to liquidated damages in "the sum of twenty ($20) dollars for each and every day the said party of the second part shall be in default."

The Superintendent was under the impression that he could extend the time for the completion of this contract without action by the Secretary of the Treasury, it being in the interest of the Government to have the installation delayed, and accordingly the amount due the Government for twenty-one days delinquincy, or $420, was not deducted from the second or third payments.

I have, therefore, to respectfully request that you will relieve the W. S. Rockwell Company from its liability of $420 on account of the delay of twenty-one days.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of John H. Landis, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, the sum of $135,748.25 on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver, and that the bullion fund of said mint be increased in that amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of John H. Landis, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, the sum of $277,293.06 on account of the profits on the coinage of five cent nickel pieces, and that the Minor Coinage Account of said Mint be increased in that amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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March 11, 1912.

Hon. Albert Estopinal,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Your letter of the 7th instant urging the continued maintenance of the New Orleans Mint as an Assay Office and Refinery is before the Department. As you doubtless understand the whole question as to the proper policy to pursue relative to the assay offices outside of the coinage mints has been under inquiry by committees of Congress, and particularly by the Committee upon Expenditures in the Treasury Department. Upon its findings and the action of the Appropriations committees the fate of these institutions probably depends.

Respectfully,

A. Piatt Andrew

Assistant Secretary.

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March 12, 1912.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY FROM MR. ROBERTS:

This bill, H. R. 13679, if enacted, will effect a most important reform in the relations of the Treasury to the banking and business community. During the panic of 1907 the most troublesome feature the bankers had to deal with was the necessity for making payments into the Treasury in cash. Although Treasury receipts are approximately offset on the whole by Treasury disbursements every bank sought to avoid paying cash into the Treasury because there was no certainty that it would receive an equal amount of the disbursements. The result was that banks generally refused to supply their customers with cash for such payments and the revenues of the Government fell off heavily in consequence. Under the act of March 2, 1911, which authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury to receive certified checks, supplemented by H. R. 13679, the vexatious condition as to revenue collections which existed in 1907 will not be repeated. Treasury receipts and disbursements will be carried on through the banks on the same basis as other business.

F.A.R.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Edward Sweeny, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, the sum of $164,105.85, on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver, and the increase of the bullion fund of that Mint in like amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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March 12, 1912.

Miss Eliza D. Keith,
Past Grand President,
Grand Parlor, N. D. G. W.,
1753 Hyde St., San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Madam:

Your letter of March 4th to this Department and telegram of March 5th to the President have been received. The Administration is in entire agreement with you in wishing to have the San Francisco Mint kept open in all its departments. The estimates prepared by the Treasury for the next fiscal year, beginning July 1, 1912, include provisions for the support of the Mint in all departments and these estimates are now pending before Congress. If appropriations are granted as asked the Mint will continue in full operation.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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March 12, 1912.

Hon. Jos. E. Ransdell,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Your letter of the 11th instant urging the continued maintenance of the New Orleans Mint as an Assay Office and Refinery is before the Department. As you doubtless understand the whole question as to the proper policy to pursue relative to the assay offices outside of the coinage mints has been under inquiry by committees of Congress, and particularly by the Committee upon Expenditures in the Treasury Department. Upon its findings and the action of the Appropriations committees the fate of these institutions probably depends.

Respectfully,

C. Pitt Conner

Assistant Secretary.

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March 14, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose herewith page proofs for pages 27, 28, 29, 30, 273 and 360 of the Catalogue of Coins, Tokens and Medals, now in the hands of the Stationery Division, with corrections marked thereon which it is deemed very desirable to have made. When they have been made the Bureau will be satisfied to have the work proceed immediately to final completion and delivery. No further changes will be made.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

s.

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The Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

It is estimated that the following supplies may be required for the laboratory of the Bureau of the Mint for the fiscal year 1913, and if it is economical to do so they can be purchased under the schedules furnished by the General Supply Committee:

1 or 2 Carboys Nitric Acid 1.42 absolutely C.P. and free from chlorine.

2 bbls. Bone Ash on pound samples.

100 lbs. Powdered Borax, 20-Mule-Team or equivalent.

100 " Bicarbonate of Soda.

100 " Litharge from 1/2 to 1/3 of an ounces of silver per ton.

2000 20-gram Denver Fire Clay (or equivalent) Crucibles.

100 Miscellaneous Royal Berlin Porcelain Crucibles. Small sizes.

30 lbs. C. P. Hydrochloric Acid in 6-lb bottles 1.20

20 lbs. C. P. Ammonia .90. (In 4 lb. bottles.)

50 lbs. Ground Cryolite.

5 lbs. Fine Silica.

5 " Coarse "

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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March 18, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

Senator L. S. Overman, of North Carolina, and the Honorable Edwin Y. Webb, of the Ninth District, North Carolina, have presented a request from Captain John A. Parker, commanding Company D, First Infantry, and Captain Wm. Robey, commanding 5th. Company, C. A. C., North Carolina National Guard, that rooms in the old United States Mint Building at Charlotte be leased to these companies at a nominal rental for armory purposes and Messrs. Overman and Webb have earnestly endorsed this request, urging that as all the property and equipment of these two companies are furnished by and belong to the Federal Government and the companies thus are a part of the National Guard, the use of Federal property in this manner is entirely proper and justifiable.

The old Mint structure at Charlotte is a large and substantial building built some 75 years ago and originally used for coinage purposes. No coinage operations have been carried on there since the Civil War but a United States Assay Office is conducted in one room. The remainder of the building is practically unoccupied except that the Assayer in Charge, who has no family, uses one room as a sleeping apartment. The Secretary of the Treasury in submitting the regular estimates for the next fiscal year has omitted any estimate for the maintenance of this assay office and it now seems probable that it will be discontinued at the end of the present fiscal year. Whether or not this is the case, however, there is ample room in the old Mint Building to provide for the safe-keeping of the arms and accoutrements of these two military companies without interfering with any other use now contemplated for the building. The Bureau of the Mint sees no objection to permitting the military companies to occupy the building for armory purposes so long as the rooms are not required for some other Governmental purpose. It is suggested that the lease be made for a merely nominal sum, subject to revocation at any time by the Secretary of the Treasury, and with the understanding that no alterations shall be made in the building without the consent of the Supervising Architect and that the lessees shall be responsible for any damage to it. It is further suggested that the matter be referred to the Supervising Architect for the preparation of a proper lease. The letter from Senator Overman, accompanied by a communica-

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tion from Captain John A. Parker, commanding Company D, 1st Inft., is herewith enclosed.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint

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(Enclosures)

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March 18, 1912.

Hon. George E. Roberts,
Director of the Mint,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

You are authorized now for February 1, 1912, to employ a translator to examine foreign mint reports for information relative to foreign coinage operations, and make translations therefrom, payment for such services to be made from the contingent fund for the Secretary of the Treasury, 1912.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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March 18, 1912.

Mr. George Puchta,
Assistant Treasurer of the United States,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Sir:

Your letter of recent date enclosing a communication from the Cincinnati Commercial Association relative to the coinage of a 3¢ piece and requesting information as to the reasons which led to the discontinuance of the coinage of 3¢ pieces some years ago has been duly received.

Replying thereto I beg to say that a 3¢ piece was originally provided for in our coinage by an act approved March 3, 1851. This piece was in silver and was dropped in a revision of the coinage laws adopted February 12, 1873, a nickel 3¢ piece having been meantime provided. The latter was discontinued by an act approved September 26, 1890. Both the silver and nickel pieces were so much like the dime in size and appearance as to occasion much confusion and inconvenience and as the denomination met no special demand it was dropped by common consent. The chief objection to another 3¢ piece is the difficulty in providing one that would be readily distinguishable from our present coins.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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March 19, 1912.

Mrs. Lovell White, President,
California Club,
1750 Clay St.,
San Francisco, Cal.

Madam:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of a copy of the resolutions adopted by the California Club March 5, 1912, protesting against the discontinuance of coinage operations in the San Francisco Mint. I beg to say that the Administration is in entire agreement with you in wishing to have the Mint kept open in all departments. The estimates prepared by the Treasury for the next fiscal year, beginning July 1, 1912, include provisions for the support of the Mint in all departments and these estimates are now pending before Congress. If appropriations are granted as asked the Mint will continue in full operation.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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March 19, 1912.

Mr. B. P. Wirth,
Foreman of Refinery,
U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

You are hereby authorized and requested to visit the United States Assay Office at New York for the purpose of inspecting the operations of the newly installed electrolytical refinery in that institution.

While engaged in this service your necessary traveling and subsistence expenses will be paid, upon an account of the same being rendered, from the appropriation for "Parting & Refining Bullion," Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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March 20, 1912.

Hon. Michael Donohoe,
House of Representatives.

Sir:

Replying to your inquiry I beg to say that in the estimates for the Mint Service as submitted to Congress this year the positions of Coiner and Melter & Refiner in the three mints are dropped the purpose being to do away with these places as presidential offices and have the duties now pertaining to these offices performed by employes who are directly responsible to the Superintendents. It is believed that a more effective and economical organization will be thus obtained.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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March 25, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I am returning herewith the letters from Thos. L. Elder to the Honorable Secretary of State suggesting the presentation of certain medals to H.R.H. Vice Admiral Prince Louis of Battenberg which were referred to this Department by the Secretary of State. I know of no precedent for the giving of such medals to individuals by this Bureau or by the Department and it does not seem to me that any funds at our disposal can be properly so used. While it would doubtless by a graceful and appropriate act on the part of some individual or society I do not see that there is anything that we can do about it. If any Department of the Government was to take such action I should think it more appropriate for either the State or Navy Department rather than the Treasury Department to do so.

I would suggest that the correspondence be returned to the State Department.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint

s.

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March 26, 1912.

Mr. W. C. LeGendre,
59 Wall Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. LeGendre:

On returning to my office after an absence of several days I find your letter of the 21st instant making certain inquiries regarding the gold shipped to Argentine, &c. I understand that under date of the 22nd instant Mr. George E. Roberts, Director of the Mint, furnished you with such data on the subject of your inquiries as was available at the time and that your name has been placed on the list for a copy of the Report of the Mint Bureau. If there is any further way I can serve you in this matter I shall be only too glad to do so.

Respectfully,

A. Piatt Andrew,
Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Roberts report and a copy of publication when it is ready and of course the other will interest you.

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March 28, 1912.

MEMORANDUM FOR DR. ANDREW:

Gold coin shipped from the Mint at Denver to the Assay Office at Seattle, fiscal year 1911, ---------- $1,700,000.

Cost of transporting the same ---------- $2,125,000.

2,125.

Gold coin shipped from the Mint at Denver to the Assay Office at Seattle, current fiscal year ---------- 2,100,000.

Cost of transporting the same ---------- 2,625,000.

2,625.

Director of the Mint.

Director of the Mint.

Gold coin shipped from the Mint at San Francisco, to the Assay Office at Seattle, fiscal year 1911 ---------- 1,200,000.

Cost of transporting same ---------- 1,620.

(No coin shipped from San Francisco to Seattle during current fiscal year.)

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March 25, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of State.

Sir:

I beg to return herewith certain letters from Mr. Thos. L. Elder, of 32 E. 23rd St., New York City, relative to a suggestion that certain medals struck at the Mint be presented to H. R. H. Vice Admiral Prince Louis of Battenberg, which letters were referred to this Department by the Secretary of State. After due consideration the conclusion has been reached that no precedent or authority exists under which the Treasury Department could act in this matter.

For the information of the State Department I am enclosing a copy of a circular (Form 147) upon page 3 of which will be found a list of the regular Navy medals with the price of each. If the suggested presentation should be made the list might be extended to include the Marine Corps medals for Good Conduct and Marksmanship, the Naval Institute Medal, the Badge of Honor, the medal of the Jeannette Arctic Expedition, and a copy of the gold medal voted by Congress on account of the Relief Expedition to Point Barrow.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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April 1, 1913.

The Honorable

Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

In pursuance of the provisions of section twenty-five of the act of August 27, 1894, I have the honor to present herewith a table of the estimate of the values of the standard coins of the nations of the world.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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1912. VALUES OF FOREIGN COINS.
Department Circular No. 1.
Director of the Mint.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

Washington, April 1, 1912.

In pursuance of the provisions of section 25 of the act of August 27, 1894, I hereby proclaim the following estimate by the Director of the Mint of the values of foreign coins to be the values of such coins in terms of the money of account of the United States, to be followed in estimating the value of all foreign merchandise exported to the United States during the quarter beginning April 1, 1912, expressed in any such metallic currencies.

Entries of merchandise liquidated upon the values proclaimed herein will be subject to reliquidation upon the order of the Secretary of the Treasury whenever satisfactory evidence shall be produced to him showing that the values in United States currency of the foreign money specified in the invoices were at the date of certification at least ten per centum more or less than the values herein proclaimed.

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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, April 3, 1912.

The Secretary
of the Treasury.

Sir:

Please to have prepared and delivered to this Bureau 5,000 copies of checks like the enclosed sample, for use of the Superintendent of the Assay Office at New York City.

These checks should be perforated as shown by the sample and numbered, in red ink, from 20,001 to 40,000.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

(Enclosure)

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April 3, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of State.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of February 7th, 1912, I have the honor to forward herewith replies to questions in regard to coinage and currency in the United States for transmission to the British Ambassador.

The Report of the Director of the Mint, and the Coinage Laws are now in press and as soon as received copies will be sent to you.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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April 4, 1912.

Mr. W. H. Sayre,
Hogsett, W. Va.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of March 29th I would say that the proposal to issue a 3¢ piece is still under consideration and experimental pieces are being struck at the Mint, some of them with a hole in the center as you suggest. The chief objection to a 3¢ piece, as I have previously stated, has been the likelihood of its being easily confused with the existing coins. It is possible that this may be satisfactorily met in the manner you have described.

Appreciating your friendly expressions, I beg to remain,

Very truly yours,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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April 5, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Frank M. Downer, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colorado, the sum of $105,000 on account of the profits on the coinage of five cent nickel pieces, and that the Minor Coinage Recoinage Account of said Mint be increased in this amount.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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, April 8, 1912.

The Honorable
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of John H. Landis, Superintendent, U.S. Mint, Philadelphia, the sum of $118,678.21, on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver, and the increase of the bullion fund of that Mint in like amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, April 8, 1912.

The Honorable
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of John H. Landis, Superintendent, U.S. Mint, Philadelphia, the sum of $231,170.73 on account of the profits on the coinage of five-cent nickel and one-cent bronze pieces, and the increase of the Minor Coinage Account of that Mint in like amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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April 8, 1912.

Hazel R. Hyde, President,
Manzanita Parlor No. 29, N.D.G.W.,
Grass Valley, Calif.

Dear Madam:

Your telegram dated the 3rd instant, addressed to the President, urging that the usual appropriation for the maintenance of the United States Mint at San Francisco be provided for the next fiscal year and soliciting the President's support for the same has been referred to this Department. I beg to say that the estimates which were submitted by this Department to Congress when it convened in December, last, included provision for the support of the San Francisco Mint in all its operations as heretofore. These estimates are still pending with the recommendation of this Department that appropriations be made accordingly. The Administration is heartily in favor of the continuance of the San Francisco Mint.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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April 6, 1912.

Hon. William L. La Follette,
House of Representatives.

Sir:

Your letter dated March 25th, transmitting a letter from the Cashier of the Traders National Bank of Spokane against the closing of the United States Assay Office at Helena, Montana, has been referred to this Department by the Secretary of the Interior.

Answering the same I beg to say that the question of maintaining the existing assay offices at scattered points in the West has been under consideration by the House Committee on Expenditures in the Treasury Department and it is understood that this Committee has communicated its conclusions to the House Committee on Appropriations. The fate of these assay offices rests with Congress.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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April 10, 1912.

Hon. R. C. Bailey,
Assistant Secretary.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of March 27th I beg to say that we have gone carefully over all of the bonds attached to the contracts for the Mint Service and find that none of then are carried by the United Surety Company of Baltimore. I am advised through the Section of Surety Bonds that the bonds covering the personnel of our service are with companies other than the above.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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April 11, 1912.

Hon. S. Guggenheim,
United States Senate.

My dear Senator:

Replying to your letter of the 8th instant relative to the proposed change in the status of the Coiner and Melter & Refiner in the mints, by which they will be changed from Presidential appointees to department heads appointed by the Superintendent of the Mint, I beg to say that this change, as you doubtless understand, applies to all the mints and was prompted by a desire to establish a more effective working organization in each institution and to avoid a clash of authority which occasionally occurs under the present organization and of which an example was afforded in the relations of the Coiner and Superintendent of the Denver Mint a few years ago. Mr. Nilson has given good service as Melter & Refiner of the Denver Mint and I know of no reason why he should not be continued as such under the proposed organization.

Respectfully,

A. J. Pitt-Andrews
Assistant Secretary.

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April 11, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Edward Sweeny, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, ~~Philadelphia~~ San Francisco, the sum of $47,391.69 on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver coin, and an increase of the bullion fund of said Mint in like amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, April 11, 1912.

The Honorable
Secretary of State.

Sir:

In compliance with the request of Mr. John B. Jackson, American Minister at Bucharest, Roumania, to be furnished with a copy of the interrogatories prepared by the Director of the Mint regarding production, coinage, etc., of gold and silver during 1911, in order that he may answer the questions for that country, I am enclosing herewith a copy of the same with the request that you will kindly forward it at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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April 11, 1912.

Mr. Arthur Espy,
c/o Civic Club,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 8th instant enclosing a copy of a resolution adopted by the Council of the City of Cincinnati in favor of the coinage of a three cent piece, provided such coin can be so made that it will be readily distinguishable from the present coins of the United States, and we assure you that the same will have due consideration.

Respectfully,

Acting Secretary.

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April 11, 1912.

Mr. J. M. Clifford, Director,
The Silverton Commercial Club,
Silverton, Colorado.

Sir:

Your letter urging the merits of a measure now pending before the House of Representatives for the establishment of a mining experiment station under the management of the Bureau of Mines has been referred to the Secretary of the Interior, to which department the Bureau of Mines is attached.

Respectfully,

Curtis

Acting Secretary.

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April 13, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

On June 13th, 1906, the Secretary of the Treasury submitted to the Comptroller of the Treasury a communication from the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia asking for the opinion of the Comptroller as to whether the Superintendent of the Mint was authorized to purchase from the Contingent fund certain materials required for the manufacture, mounting, and casing of medals. The Comptroller, in an opinion rendered June 13, 1906, held that the Superintendent was authorized to purchase the metal from which medals were to be struck but was not authorized to purchase materials for mounting such medals, or cases for them.

The opinion of the Comptroller as to the authority of the Superintendent of the Mint to purchase cases, or anything not required for the completion of the medals is accepted as final, but it is believed that the inquiry as to the materials for mounting the medals was not properly presented to him. It is the custom to have all service medals attached by means of a ribbon, bar, and pin, and the bar carries an inscription which is related to the medal

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and actually forms a part of a service medal, and must be made in the same manner with the same kind of equipment as the medal; it is scarcely practicable, even if possible, to have the bar made at another time and place. The bar is considered a part of the medal and where authority is granted for the presentation of a medal, that authority contemplates a bar. Medals are incomplete without bars and pins, and the ribbon connecting these with the medal.

I beg, therefore, to request that this explanation be submitted to the Comptroller of the Treasury in order that he may review the case and determine whether the bars and pins and the ribbon necessary to attach the bars and pins to the medals may not be supplied with the latter which are incomplete otherwise. In his opinion of June 13, 1906, the Comptroller held that the Superintendent of the Mint had authority to procure the materials from which medals are made.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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April 13, 1912.

Edna Woods, President,
Woodland Parlor No. 90, N.D.G.W.,
Woodland, Calif.

Dear Madam:

Your telegram dated the 3rd instant, addressed to the President, urging that the usual appropriation for the maintenance of the United States Mint at San Francisco be provided for the next fiscal year and soliciting the President's support for the same has been referred to this Department. I beg to say that the estimates which were submitted by this Department to Congress when it convened in December, last, included full provision for the support of the San Francisco Mint in all its operations as heretofore. These estimates are still pending in Congress with the recommendation of this Department that appropriations be made accordingly. The Administration is heartily in favor of the continuance of the San Francisco Mint.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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April 13, 1912.

Mr. William J. Dilco,-
253 Tenth Street,
Hoboken, N. J.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of the 11th instant advising the coinage of a One-Half Cent Piece and the same will have due consideration.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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April 15, 1912.

My dear Mr. Calder:

I am returning herewith the letter which you left at my office a few days ago in regard to Mr. John J. O'Donnell, formerly an employee in the New York Assay Office. I have had the matter of Mr. O'Donnell's separation from the service looked into and I am inclosing a copy of a memorandum from the Director of the Mint in the case, which is self-explanatory. I regret very much that the circumstances in this case make it impossible for me to arrange for Mr. O'Donnell's reinstatement.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant Secretary.

Honorable William M. Calder,
House of Representatives.

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April 13, 1912.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. ANDREW:

This man O'Donnell entered the New York Assay Office as a Watchman and afterwards passed an examination for a clerkship and was assigned to duty in the Weigh Clerk's force. It is necessary for all of these employes to handle bullion but O'Donnell took it into his head that as he was a clerk this labor was beneath him and refused to perform it. Mr. Kingsford had a talk with him but the fellow said that he knew his rights and that the work of lifting bars belonged to a helper or laborer and that he would not perform it. He was insolent in manner both to the Weigh Clerk and Superintendent. Mr. Kingsford gave him several days to consider the matter but O'Donnell evidently relied upon his political pull and insisted that he would not lift bars. We do not want such a man in the Weigh Clerk's office nor do we want him anywhere in the Service. His reinstatement would be absolutely destructive to discipline in the New York office.

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Mr. Harry Lensky,
c/o S. Dombek,
Box 2, Waterton, N.Y.

Sir:

I have received your letter of the 13th instant and note that the Superintendent of the Assay Office has promised to reinstate you as soon as there is an opening for a classified laborer. This appears to be the only thing that can be done and if Mr. Kingsford submits your name for reinstatement his action will be approved.

Respectfully,

Assistant Secretary.

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April 16, 1912.

Mr. F. Szymanske, Sec'y pro tem.,
Zortman Miners' Union No. 190,
Zortman, Mont.

Sir;

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 2nd instant enclosing a copy of resolutions adopted by Zortman Miners' Union No. 190, which will have due consideration.

The question of maintaining the minor assay offices is in the hands of Congress and has been receiving careful investigation at the hands of its committees.

Respectfully,

A. Witt Green
Assistant Secretary.

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April 18, 1912.

The Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 16th instant giving a transcript of letter received from the General Supply Committee relative to special types of electric lamps, I beg to report that the requirements of the Mint Service are fully covered by the present schedule.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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April 13, 1912.

Mr. Charles D. Hilles,
Secretary to the President,
The White House.

Dear Mr. Hilles:

Replying to your letter of the 10th instant relative to a request for the reinstatement in the Assay Office at New York of John J. O'Donnell I beg to say that the records show O'Donnell to have been dismissed for insubordination. He had been promoted from the position of Watchman to the grade of a Clerk and assigned to duty in the Weigh Clerk's office where it is frequently necessary, in order to expedite business, for everybody to handle bullion. O'Donnell complained that this was work for a laborer which he as a clerk should not be called upon to perform. He was told that his services could not be used unless he was willing to adapt himself to conditions in the office and the Superintendent advised him to take a few days to consider the matter. O'Donnell apparently took counsel outside and when again called before the Superintendent to give his decision adhered to the position originally taken, to wit: that he would not handle bullion. Under the circumstances there was nothing for the Superintendent to do but separate him from the service. The case was gone over quite fully by the Department at the time and it was decided that his reinstatement would be destructive of discipline in the institution.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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April 20, 1912.

Hon. Robert J. Bulkley,
House of Representatives.

My dear Sir:

Responding to your request of this date for my opinion upon your bill providing for two new coins, to-wit: a half-cent piece and a three-cent piece, and for a change in the composition of the one-cent piece, I beg to say that there is no objection to the introduction of the new pieces provided they are in size and appearance readily distinguishable from the existing coins, which I believe can be accomplished by the means discussed in our interview and which are embodied in your bill. There is undoubtedly a demand for a piece between the one-cent piece and the five-cent piece, and also for a smaller unit than the one-cent piece. Always conditioned upon their being readily distinguishable it is desirable that the public shall have the use of as many denominations as are needed to best serve its convenience.

There has long been complaint against the dull and dirty appearance of our one-cent piece and at times these coins are returned to the Treasury in a condition which is an actual menace to the health of the government employees who must handle them. The proposed composition is the same which has long been in use for the five-cent

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piece and has proven satisfactory here and in other countries.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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April 24, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that for the reasons stated in the enclosed letter of the Superintendent of the Assay Office at New York the penalty for non-delivery of equipment within the required time be waived and permission allowed to make payment on the contract of the General Electric Company for the installation of an electrolytic plant in the Assay Office of the United States at New York, amounting to $14,434.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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April 25, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:

I have the honor to report that the following named persons have been transferred from the Mint at Philadelphia to similar positions in the Assay Office at New York. Each employee is now bonded in the sum of $2,000.

	Date of Transfer.
Alfred Willimen	February 16, 1912.
Alden E. Pugh	November 15, 1912.
Albert Cooper	July 17, 1911.
Michael Quirk	February 2, 1912.
John D. Kratz	December 18, 1911.
Joseph Brown	December 18, 1911.
William H. Keen	December 18, 1911
Henry F. Morgan	July 17, 1911.
Anthony Coll	January 2, 1912.
Paul Mitchell	December 18, 1912.
John Martin	January 2, 1912.
John Humphreys	April 18, 1912
Dennis Condron	January 16, 1912.

These bonds are understood by this office to cover employment in the Mint and Assay Service of the United States regardless of the location of the institution. Will you please advise me if this assumption is correct.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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April 27, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd instant detailing Mr. S. B. Frantz to duty in the Office of the Secretary, Chief Clerk's Office, for the purpose of assisting the Treasury Department Committee on Economy and Efficiency.

In reply I beg to state that owing to the pressure of business in this office and the depletion of the force on account of illness of one member Mr. Frantz' services cannot easily be dispensed with at present.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 2, 1912.

Mr. J. Wilber Yeats,
Clerk, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The annual settlement of the Mint at Denver is to begin on the 12th of June and you have been designated to act as chairman of the settlement committee. You are, therefore, requested to proceed to that institution in time to begin the work of settlement on the day named.

Prior to commencing the settlement you will obtain from the Superintendent a statement on Form 976, certified to by the bookkeeper, of the gold and silver bullion, minor coinage metal, coin and other moneys on hand as shown by the books at the close of business on the 11th of June. A supplemental statement covering the business necessarily transacted during the settlement will be rendered to you upon the same form by the Superintendent, upon a day agreed upon for the closing of the settlement.

All of the bullion and coin on hand will be weighed and counted by you to ascertain if the amounts called for by the books are on hand, with the exception of the coin now under the joint seal of the Superintendent and the representative of the Bureau. You will accept the certificate attached to each vault so sealed as correct.

You are directed to make a careful inquiry into the possible sources of gain in bullion to the Superintendent and the operative officers from the amounts charged to them in the accounts.

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There should be a gain to the Superintendent from sweeps and grains of the Deposit Melting Room, and there should be gains to the Melter and Refiner from allowances in weight and unreported fineness. These gains should appear in the ~~refinery~~ accounts and belong to the Government.

The amount of gold and silver wasted by the operative officers will be ascertained by you, and should such wastage appear to be excessive you will endeavor to ascertain the cause or causes.

In weighing the bullion delivered by the operative officers you will note the character and quality of the same upon forms herewith.

To verify the amounts which the books of the Superintendent will show to be to his credit with the Assistant Treasurer at Chicago and New York respectively, and with the depository bank, you are authorized to call upon the institutions named for a statement of the account.

Mr. James Rowan of the Office of the Auditor for the War Department, and Mr. J. W. Sheets of this bureau have been designated as members of the settlement committee.

While engaged in this service your necessary traveling and subsistence expenses will be paid from the appropriation for "Contingent Expenses, Office of the Director of the Mint, 1912".

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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May 2,1912.

Mr. A. A. Hassan,
Bureau of the Mint,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

You are hereby designated to serve as a member of the Settlement Committee at the Mint in Philadelphia which will commence work on the twelfth of June, and you are hereby authorized to proceed to Philadelphia and report to the Chairman, Mr. George R. Comings, in time to begin work on that date. While engaged in this service your necessary traveling and subsistence expenses will be paid upon your rendering vouchers, from the appropriation for "Contingent Expenses, Office of Director of the Mint, 1912."

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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May 2,1912

Mr. Abraham Sauder,
Clerk, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania..

Sir:

You are hereby designated to serve as a member of the Settlement Committee at the Assay Office in New York which will commence work on June twelfth, and you are hereby authorized to proceed to New York and report to the Chairman, Mr. F. P. Dewey in time to begin work on that date. While engaged in this service your necessary traveling and subsistence expenses will be paid upon your rendering vouchers, from the appropriation for "Contingent Expenses, Office of Director of the Mint, 1912."

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.
K

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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May 2, 1912

Miss M. V. Kelly,
Examiner, Bureau of the Mint,
Treasury Department.

Miss Kelly:

You are hereby authorized to visit the Mints at Denver and San Francisco and the Assay Office at Seattle on business connected with operations and accounts in these institutions. While engaged in this service your necessary traveling and subsistence expenses will be paid upon the rendering of proper vouchers, from the appropriation for "Contingent Expenses, Office of Director of the Mint, 1912.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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May 2, 1912

Mr. J. W. Sheetz,
Bureau of the Mint,
Tresury Department.

Sir:

You are hereby designated to serve as a member of the Settlement Committee at the Mint at Denver which will commence work on June twelfth and you are hereby authorized to proceed to Denver and report to the Chairman, Mr. J. W. Yeats in time to begin work on that date. While engagedin this service your necessary traveling and subsistence expenses will be paid upon your rendering vouchers from the appropriation "Contingent Expenses, Office of Director of the Mint, 1912."

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.
K

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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May 8, 1912.

Dr. F. P. Dewey,
Assayer, Bureau of the Mint,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

The annual settlement of the Assay Office of the United States at New York is to begin on the 12th of June and you have been designated to act as chairman of the committee. You are, therefore, requested to proceed to that institution in time to commence the work of settlement on the day named.

Prior to commencing the settlement you will obtain from the Superintendent a statement on form 976, certified to by the bookkeeper, of the gold and silver bullion, coin and other moneys on hand as shown by the books at the close of business on the 11th of June. A supplemental statement covering the business necessarily transacted during the settlement will be obtained by you from the Superintendent upon a day agreed upon for the close of the settlement.

All of the bullion and coin on hand will be weighed and counted by you to ascertain if the amounts called for by the books are on hand.

You are further directed to make a careful inquiry into the possible sources of gain in bullion to the Superintendent and the operative officers from amounts charged to them in the accounts.

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Dr. D.

There should be a gain to the Superintendent from sweeps and grains of the Deposit Melting Room, and there should be gains to the Melter and Refiner from allowances in weights and unreported finenesses. These gains should appear in the refinery account and belong to the Government.

The amount of gold and silver wasted by the operative officers will be ascertained by you, and should such wastage appear to be excessive you will endeavor to ascertain the cause or causes.

In weighing the bullion delivered by the operative officers you will note the character and quality of the same on the forms enclosed.

To verify the amounts which the books of the Superintendent show to be to his credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York you are authorized to call upon that officer for a statement of the account.

Mr. A. D. Shuder of the Mint at Philadelphia, and Mr. C. M. Lefurge of the office of the Assistant Treasurer at New York have been designated to serve as members of the settlement committee.

While engaged in this service your necessary traveling and subsistence expenses will be paid from the appropriation for Contingent Expenses, Office of the Director of the Mint, 1912.

Respectfully,

Approved:

Director of the Mint.

Assistant Secretary.

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May 3, 1912.

Hon. E. B. Martin,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Sir;

Replying to your inquiry of this day I beg to say that the receipts of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood during the calendar year 1911 amounted to $7,270,659.85 in gold bullion and $89,447.23 in silver bullion, the latter being contained in the gold deposits. The earnings and expenditures of the office and for its account for the same period were as follows:

EARNINGS.

Assaying and stamping charges,	$9,236.23	
Melting charges,	544.00	
Special assays,	46.00	
Gain on shipments to the mint,	145.48	
Total,-		$9,961.71

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries,	4,646.10	
Wages,	3,082.50	
Contingent,	1,403.00	
Express charges on bullion to mint,	3,479.75	
Total,-		12,611.35
Excess of expenditures over earnings,-		$2,649.64

Respectfully,

Acting Secretary.

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May 3, 1912.

Hon. J. R. Knowland,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 3rd instant, I beg to say that the machinery in the San Francisco Mint is in good condition and ample for present requirements, and that no important expenditures for equipment are likely to be needed for some years to come.

Respectfully,

Acting Secretary.

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May 6, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Frank M. Downer, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colorado, the sum of $299,536.46 on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver coin and that the bullion fund of said Mint be increased in this amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 6, 1912.

The Secretary
of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Frank M. Downer, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colorado, the sum of $13,254.37 on account of the profits on the coinage of five cent nickels and that the Minor Coinage Account of said Mint be increased in this amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 6, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:

I have the honor to request that Mr. Louis T. Zbinden of the office of the Auditor for the Treasury Department be detailed to this Bureau for a period not exceeding twenty days from June 11, 1912, to assist in the weighing and counting of coin and bullion in the Mint of the United States at Philadelphia, to determine if the balances on hand correspond with the amounts called for by the books at the close of the current fiscal year.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 6, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:

I have the honor to request that Mr. James D. Rowen of the Office of the Auditor for the War Department be detailed to this Bureau for a period not exceeding ~~twenty-three~~ thirty six days from ~~June 8~~ May 25, 1912, to assist in the weighing and counting of bullion and coin in the Mint of the United States at Denver, to determine if the balances on hand correspond with the amounts called for by the books at the close of the current fiscal year.

May 25/12

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 6, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that Mr. W. G. Platt of the Office of the Auditor for the War Department be detailed to this Bureau for a period of not exceeding ~~twenty-six~~ thirty days from June 5, 1912, to assist in the weighing and counting of bullion and coin in the United States Mint at San Francisco, to determine if the balances on hand correspond with the amounts called for by the books at the close of the current fiscal year.

May 7

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 9, 1912.

MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY ADAMS RELATIVE TO ESTIMATE FOR THE MINT BUREAU:

An increase in the salary of the Assayer of the Bureau from $2,200 to $2,500 was submitted. The duties of this position include much more than the simple work of making assays. The Assayer is the technical advisor of the Director and should be an assistant in many ways. He must be educated in metallurgy, should be competent to visit the several institutions of the service and advise and report upon their operations; he should have initiative to develop and improve new methods and to introduce them from one institution to another or from foreign mints to ours. He should also be able to make a settlement with a mint to determine that all of the values charged to it are in hand. It is the best kind of economy to have a capable man in this position and $2,500 is not too much for the place to pay. The present Assayer is capable and there is constant danger that his services may be lost to the Government.

An increase in the salary of the Private Secretary to the Director from $1,400 to $1,600 is submitted. This position should pay the larger salary to command the services of a competent person.

The appropriation for freight on bullion and coin between mints and assay offices should be $35,000 unless the western assay offices are abolished.

Prior to the fiscal year 1912 the appropriation for laboratory materials was regularly $600 per year, and for "books, pamphlets, periodicals, specimens of coins, ores and incidentals, $400." Telegraph and telephone bills were paid under 'Incidentals'. For the fiscal year 1912 the last named item was reduced to $200. and difficulty was experienced in getting through the year upon that amount. In the estimates for 1912 the two items were consolidated at $1,000, the amount at which the two had been carried for several years. The consolidation is desirable because of the variation from year to year in the various expenditures. At this time it seems likely that new furnaces will be required in the laboratory at an early date, in which event the $600. allowance will scarcely be enough for the year. The appropriation for books, pamphlets and periodicals is expended for works upon metallurgy and publications which give information concerning the production and consumption of the precious metals throughout the world. The consolidated appropriation for these various purposes should not be less than $1,000.

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The appropriation for examinations of mints and for making the annual settlements has heretofore been $5,500 and the appropriation for the collection of statistics relative to the annual production and consumption of precious metals has been $1,000. The amount for examination of mints is not sufficient if any unusual investigation must be incurred and in the estimates as submitted this year the two items were consolidated in order to give greater latitude. The sum of $4,500. should be allowed for examinations of mints and for the collection of statistics of the production and consumption of precious metals.

Director of the Mint.

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May 8, 1912.

Hon. Boies Penrose, Chairman,
Committee on Finance,
United States Senate.

Sir:

Replying to your communication of the 21st ultimo asking for an opinion upon S. 5963, "A bill to amend an Act to amend section six of the Currency Act of March 14, 1900, as amended by the Act approved March 4, 1907", I beg to say:

The title is incomplete as it should read "an act to amend section 6 of the Currency Act of March 14, 1900, as amended by the act approved March 4, 1907, as amended by the act approved March 2, 1911".

The change in the act of March 2, 1911 consists of an amendment by which the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to receive deposits of gold bullion bearing the stamp of any of the existing assay offices of the United States and issue gold certificates therefor, the present act restricting such deposits to gold bullion bearing the stamp of the coinage mints or of the Assay Office in New York. The proposed change is inconsistent with the recommendation of the Department that all assay offices except the one at New York be abolished, but it is objectionable for other reasons as well. It is desirable that all bullion which is made the basis of certificate issues shall be refined and in condition to be readily converted into coin. The coinage mints and the Assay Office in New York are equipped with refineries and all bullion bearing their stamp has passed through their refineries and is suitable for coinage. The other assay offices are not equipped with refineries and to so equip them would involve a heavy and unnecessary expense. Bullion bearing the stamp of these offices would not be in condition for coinage and in the opinion of the Department should not in this condition be made the basis of certificates.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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May 9, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of John H. Landis, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, the sum of $254,665.49 on account of the profits on the coinage of five-cent nickel pieces, and the increase of the Minor Coinage Account of said Mint in that amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 9, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of John H. Landis, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa., the sum of $186,053.07 on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver, and the increase of the bullion fund of that institution in like amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 9, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the following forms be printed for the use of the Mint Service in compliance with Circular 32, April 5th, 1912. These forms are for use in the field service. Two thousand copies of each form are requested. The requisition for forms to be used by the Bureau will be made within a few days:-

Forms 1, 3, 3a, 3b, 4, 5, 5a, 13, 17a, 19, 25, 42.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 11, 1912.

Mr. Francis T. Rankin,
Adjutant, Col. WM. L. Curry Post, No. 18,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 25th ultimo relative to the reemployment of Major John D. Worman in the Mint at Philadelphia I beg to advise you that no clerks have been recalled to work in that institution since the furlough of Mr. Worman. I regret that the work of the Mint at Philadelphia is not sufficient to warrant an increase in the force at present.

Respectfully,

Acting Secretary.

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May 13, 1912.

Mr. James D. Rowan,
Office of the Auditor
for the War Department.

Sir:

You are hereby designated to serve as a member of the settlement committee at the Mint in Denver, which will commence on June 12, 1912, and you are hereby authorized to proceed to Denver and report to the Chairman, Mr. J. W. Yeats, in time to begin work on that date.

While engaged in this service your necessary traveling and subsistence expenses will be paid upon your rendering an account of the same from the appropriation for "Contingent Expenses, Office of the Director of the Mint, 1912".

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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May 15, 1912.

Mr. W. G. Platt,
Office of Auditor
for the War Department.

Sir:

You are hereby designated to serve as a member of the Settlement Committee at the Mint in San Francisco which will commence on June 12th, 1912, and you are hereby authorized to proceed to San Francisco and report to the Chairman, Mr. Cesar Hindrichs, in time to begin work on that date. While engaged in this service your necessary traveling and subsistence expenses will be paid upon your rendering an account of the same from the appropriation for Contingent Expenses, Office of the Director of the Mint, 1912.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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May 13, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Edward Sweeny, Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco, the sum of $32,135.94 on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver, and that the bullion fund of said Mint be increased in like amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 13, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Edward Sweeny, Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco, the sum of $2,301.65 on account of the profits on the coinage of one-cent bronze pieces, and the increase of the Minor Coinage Account of that institution in like amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 14, 1912.

Mr. Thomas G. Hathaway,
Chief Clerk, U.S.Assay Office,
Seattle, Washington.

Sir:

You are hereby designated to serve as a member of the Settlement Committee at the Mint in San Francisco which will commence on June 12th, 1912, and you are hereby authorized to proceed to San Francisco in time to begin work on that date. Mr. Oscar Hindrichs has been appointed chairman of the Committee.

While engaged in this work your necessary traveling and subsistence expenses will be paid, upon your rendering an account of the same, from the appropriation for Contingent Expenses, Office of the Director of the Mint, 1912.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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May 16, 1912.

The Chief Clerk,

Treasury Department.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of this date, relative to matter conveyed from Government Building to Government Building within the city of Washington, I beg to state that no matter is conveyed from this Bureau to other buildings of the department or other departments of the Government in Washington.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 17, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Navy.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th instant relative to the manufacture of medals for the U. S. Marine Corps. The Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia has been directed to proceed without delay with the manufacture of the medals desired.

Respectfully,

Acting Secretary.

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May 18, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to report that Albert C. Huckey, Helper in the Mint at Philadelphia, died on May 14th, 1912.

Mr. Huckey was under an official bond in the sum of $2,000.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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May 20, 1912.

Hon. George P. McLean,
United States Senate.

Sir:

Replying to your communication of the 18th inst. relative to the size of the 5¢ coins and half-cent coins proposed by the House Bill now pending before the Senate I beg to say that the Department will be glad to confer with all parties who may be interested with a view to adopting sizes and shapes that will be best adapted to the various types of automatic machines in use.

Referring particularly to the enclosed letter from the Gray Telephone Pay Station Company I would add that the Department has already conducted experiments with the Gray boxes and believes that there will be no difficulty in adopting diameters which will suit these boxes.

Respectfully,

Acting Secretary.

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May 22, 1912.

The Chief Clerk,

Treasury Department.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 21st instant giving an escerpt from letter received from the Secretary of the President's Commission on Economy and Efficiency relative to expenditures by this Bureau for books and periodicals during the fiscal year 1911, the following is submitted:-

Appropriation - "Contingent Expenses:

For books, pamphlets, periodicals, specimens of coins, ores, and incidentals, ----------		$200.00
Of this amount there were expended		
For books ----------	$84.04	
For periodicals ----------	52.92	136.96
		10.57 from Lab
		126.39 from Bu

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 21, 1912.

Dear Mr. Rue:

Replying to yours of the 18th instant relative to the demand for new silver coin, I would say that it is owing to the large amount of circulated silver coin in good condition now in the various offices of the Treasury that no new silver coin is being paid out at any of the mints. You will understand that the Treasury cannot afford to make silver coin simply to be paid out once and immediately returned to the mint for recoinage. So long as there is an abundance of coin on hand suitable for all commercial purposes the present policy will be maintained, except that during the weeks immediately preceding the holidays an attempt will be made to supply the banks with new coin to meet the special demands for that season.

Respectfully,

P. O. Stitzer

Assistant Secretary.

Mr. L. L. Rue, President,
Philadelphia National Bank,
Philadelphia, Pa.

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June 1, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Frank M. Downer, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colorado, the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($250,000) on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver and that the bullion fund of said Mint be increased in that amount.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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June 5, 1912.

Memorandum for Assistant Secretary Andrew:

Referring to the Bill making appropriations for the legislative, executive and judicial expenses of the Government as reported to the Senate I would call your attention to the fact that the St. Louis Assay Office has been reinstated with an appropriation of $2,500 for operating expenses. The Conference Committee should be advised that this office was dismantled on July 1st, 1911, and all of the equipment distributed to other offices of the service or sold as old material. As it was very much run down but little of the equipment is fit to be returned for use, and if the office is to be reestablished a special appropriation for equipment will be necessary. The amount required is estimated at $2,500.

It is also noted that the salary of the Superintendent of the Coining Department in the San Francisco Mint is fixed at $3,000 per annum which is $500 more than is allowed for the same positions in the Philadelphia and the Denver Mints. This is evidently unfair to the men holding these places in the other mints as no reason exists for such a preference to San Francisco.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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June 3, 1912.

Memorandum for Assistant Secretary Andrew:

Referring to the Bill making appropriations for the legislative, executive and judicial expenses of the Government as reported to the Senate I would call your attention to the fact that the St. Louis Assay Office has been reinstated with an appropriation of $2,900 for operating expenses. The Conference Committee should be advised that this office was dismantled on July 1st, 1911, and all of the equipment distributed to other offices of the service or sold as old material. As it was very much run down but little of the equipment is fit to be returned for use, and if the office is to be reestablished a special appropriation for equipment will be necessary. The amount required is estimated at $2,500.

It is also noted that the salary of the Superintendent of the Coining Department in the San Francisco Mint is fixed at $3,000 per annum which is $500 more than is allowed for the same positions in the Philadelphia and the Denver Mints. This is evidently unfair to the men holding these places in the other mints as no reason exists for such a preference to San Francisco.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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June 5, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

The Superintendent of the San Francisco Mint has made request for electrical protection service upon Vault 'A' in that institution which contains some fifty-seven million dollars in gold. The vault is equipped for this service and nothing is required but for the Supervising Architect to give the necessary orders, service to commence July 1, 1912.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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June 4, 1912.

Memorandum for Dr. Andrew:

The legislative executive and judicial appropriation bill as reported to the Senate carries $25,000 for freight on bullion and coin between assay offices and mints. The expenditures for this purpose during the fiscal year 1911 were $44,951.63 of which $10,592.17 was for bullion transported from the New York Assay Office to the Mint at Philadelphia. In making up our estimates we assumed that no bullion would be transported from New York to Philadelphia during the next fiscal year. On this account we reduced our estimate of the total expenditures to $35,000. The bill should be amended to provide for this amount. We have no control over the amount of bullion which may be deposited at the Assay Offices; we must buy it all and transport it all to the mints. It is not as safe in the assay offices as in the mints and it is desirable that it be transferred without delay. The estimate of $35,000 affords only a narrow margin for a possible increase in receipts and the full amount should be provided.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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June 5, 1912.

The Chief
Section of Surety Bonds,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I beg to advise you that Eugene C. Grice, Assayer's Assistant U. S. Assay Office, Boise, Idaho, has resigned from the service from June 1, 1912.

Mr. Grice was under a bond of $5,000 which was approved January 13, 1912.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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June 3, 1912.

The Regulations for the Transaction of Business at the Mints and Assay Offices of the United States are hereby amended to take effect July 1st, 1912, as follows:-

In Article I a new section 12 is adopted as follows:

Sec. 12. From all deposits weighing over 500 ozs. two dip samples shall be taken and the bullion paid for on the assay of these dip samples when satisfactory results are obtained. Each sample shall be assayed twice and as many more times as the assayer may deem necessary. If the samples fail to give satisfactory agreement in the assays, the bullion must be remelted with strong oxidation and sampled and assayed as above. This operation may be repeated but a deposit which fails to give satisfactory agreement on the third melting shall be returned to the depositor who shall pay the extra cost of the second and third melting. In assaying bullion low in zinc and 500 fine or over in gold a difference of .7 fine in duplicate assays or between the averages of the two dip samples shall be deemed unsatisfactory. On such bullion below 500 fine in gold such differences of 1 fine shall be considered unsatisfactory. In assaying bullion high in zinc and 500 fine or over in gold a difference of 1 fine in duplicate assays or between the averages of the two dip samples shall be ~~considered~~ deemed unsatisfactory. On such bullion below 500 fine in gold such differences of 1.5 shall be considered unsatisfactory.

The remaining sections of the article are to be renumbered accordingly.

The last paragraph of section 7, article 5, is hereby repealed and the following adopted in its place:-

When a shipment of redeposits is made a letter giving a list, by numbers or other designation, of the bars and stating the price paid for the silver in each bar, shall be sent to the receiving office. If it is necessary to include in a mass-melt bars containing silver paid for at different prices the letter shall specify the number of ounces in the mass paid for at each price, and if it is necessary to include in a mass-melt deposits paying different refining charges the letter shall state the total number of

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ounces in the mass which paid each refining rate. An invoice giving full description of weight and fineness, with the price paid for the silver must be sent to the Bureau of the Mint and another copy must accompany the quarterly accounts.

A new Section 8 is adopted as follows:-

Sec. 8. All deposits weighing less than 300 ounces, except gold coin, shall be massed. No mass-melt shall weigh less than 300 ounces, and the mass-melts shall be sampled and assayed in the same way as original deposits weighing over 300 ounces. Deposits of gold coin shall be shipped for redeposit without melting.

The remaining sections of this article are to be renumbered accordingly.

The Table of Charges is amended so as to allow three meltings of a deposit at a minor assay office.

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Secretary of the Treasury.

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The Secretary of the Treasury presents his compliments to the Honorable the Secretary of State and takes pleasure in stating that in accordance with his request of the 6th instant a copy of the Report of the Director of the Mint has been forwarded to the Diplomatic Bureau, State Department, for transmission to the Imperial and Royal Museum of Commerce at Vienna, and the Wirtschafspolitischen Archiv des K. K. Oesterr. Handelsmuseums, has been placed upon the permanent mailing list of the Bureau of the Mint for all future reports.

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June 10, 1912.

Mr. Louis T. Zbinden,

Office of the Auditor
for the Treasury.

Sir:

You are hereby designated to serve as a member of the Settlement Committee at the Mint in Philadelphia which will commence on June 12th, 1912, and you are hereby authorized to proceed to Philadelphia and report to Mr. George R. Comings, the chairman of the Committee, in time to begin the work on that date.

While engaged in this service your necessary traveling and subsistence expenses will be paid, upon your rendering an account of the same, from the appropriation for Contingent Expenses, Office of the Director of the Mint, 1912.

Respectfully,

M. O. Leavy

Acting Director of the Mint.

Approved:

A. Piatt Andrew

Assistant Secretary.

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June 10, 1912.

Mr. Nelson Stuart,
U. S. Assay Office,
New York, N. Y.

Sir:

You are hereby authorized and directed to proceed to the Mint at Philadelphia on business connected with the Stone-room of the Assay Office at New York. When you have completed this service you will please come to Washington and make report to this Bureau.

While engaged upon this duty your necessary traveling and subsistence expenses will be paid from the appropriation for "Contingent Expenses, Assay Office at New York, 1912."

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

A. Piatt Andrew

Assistant Secretary.

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June 12, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of John H. Landis, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, the sum of $359,438.34 on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver coin, and that the bullion fund of said mint be increased in that amount.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 12, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Frank M. Downer, Superintendent, U.S.Mint, Denver, Colorado, the sum of $53,340.94 on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver, and that the bullion fund of said Mint be increased in this amount.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 13, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th instant with regard to additional articles which might be required by the Mint service for inclusion in the Scedule of articles to be purchased by the General Supply Committee. I have to advise you that at this writing there are no articles contemplated for the Mint service which should be included.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 15, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that blank form of bond in the sum of $1,000 be prepared for execution by Miss Annie B. Hawkins, Skilled Laborer, U. S. Assay Office, Charlotte, N. C. Miss Hawkins was appointed July 1, 1911.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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June 19, 1912.

MEMORANDUM FOR DR. ANDREW:

I am returning herewith a copy of a proposed circular on travel regulations and beg to say that I have no changes to suggest except that I think the old allowance of five dollars per day for lodging and board is ordinarily sufficient everywhere, subject to the waiver which the Secretary is authorized to make. If the general authorization is made many of our travel bills will go to the limit named, and the appropriation of this Bureau for that purpose will be seriously taxed. In my judgment the representatives of this Bureau who go out to make settlements in the cities named and are occupied several weeks at a time can all secure acceptable accommodations within the old limit of $5 per day.

Respectfully,

Lyne S. Meredith

Director of the Mint.

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June 22, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Edward Sweeny, Superintendent, U.S.Mint, San Francisco, the sum of sixteen dollars and ninety-five cents on account of the profits on the recoinage of Hawaiian silver coin redeemed, and that the bullion fund of said Mint be increased in this amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint

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June 24, 1912.

Hon. William G. Lorigan,
Supreme Court of California,
San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 13th instant in behalf of Lena Noonan, a selector in the Mint at San Francisco. I am glad to advise you that it is not contemplated at this time to reduce the number of selectors in the San Francisco Mint.

Respectfully,

Assistant Secretary.

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June 27, 1912.

Mr. Arthur I. Bride,
39, City Road,
London, E. C.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th instant with regard to a medal for your son, Harold S. Bride, second Marconi officer on the S. S. Titanic. Replying I would say that the Joint Resolution of Congress, to which you refer, originated in the Senate, passed that body, and is now pending in the House of Re resentatives. I am enclosing herewith a copy of the same for your information. You will observe that it conveys the thanks of Congress to Captain Rostron, and through him to the officers and crew of the S. S. Carpathia, but provides a medal for Captain Rostron only.

Respectfully,

Franklin Mead

Secretary.

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June 28, 1912.

The Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith Form C.A.-1, IMMEDIATE REPORT OF ACCIDENTAL INJURY, in the case of James Mix, carpenter in the Mint at San Francisco, for transmission to the Department of Commerce and Labor.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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June 29, 1912.

Hon. Francis E. Warren,
Chairman Committee on Appropriations,
United States Senate.

Sir:

In connection with the consideration of a joint resolution to provide temporarily for the expenses of the Government after June 30, 1912, pending final action upon the regular appropriation bills for the fiscal year 1913, I beg to invite your particular attention to the situation relative to parting and refining operations in the mints and the assay office at New York.

The provision under which all expenditures incident to parting and refining bullion have been met for years past is to be found in the Deficiency Act of July 7, 1898, (see Chapter 571, 30 Statutes at Large, 657) and reads as follows:-

> CHAP. 571.- An Act Making appropriations to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and for prior years, and for other purposes.

PAR. 4.[a] And refining and parting of bullion shall be carried on at the coinage mints of the United States and at the assay office at New York, and it shall be lawful to apply the moneys arising from charges collected from depositors for these operations, and also the proceeds of sale of by-products (spent acids arising from any surplus bullion recovered in parting and refining processes), pursuant to law, so far as may be necessary, to defraying in full the expenses thereof, including labor, material, wastage, and loss on sale of sweeps.

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But no part of the moneys appropriated for the support of the coinage mints and assay office at New York shall be used to defray the expenses of parting and refining bullion."

The policy of using the proceeds of charges imposed upon bullion to meet the cost of operating the refineries was changed by a provision of the Deficiency Act of March 4, 1911, (see Chapter 240, Public 400) the repealing clause reading as follows:-

"All laws and parts of laws, to the extent that they make a permanent indefinite appropriation for the expenses of parting and refining bullion, are repealed to take effect from and after June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and twelve; and the Secretary of the Treasury shall, for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and thirteen, and annually thereafter, submit to Congress, in the regular Book of Estimates, detailed estimates for the expenses of this service.

The unexpended balance, after meeting all obligations, of the permanent indefinite appropriation for parting and refining bullion remaining on the books of the Treasury two years after the close of the fiscal year nineteen hundred and twelve shall be covered into the Treasury as a miscellaneous receipt".

It is a grave question whether a resolution so worded as to extend the 1912 appropriations will have the effect of reviving a statute which is definitely repealed. Estimates for the cost of maintaining this service in the fiscal year 1913 in the Denver and San Francisco mints and the assay office at New York were submitted to Congress and provisions for the same appear in the bill making appropriations for the legislative, executive and judicial expenses. It is highly important that provision be made for continuing these refinery operations at the three institutions without a break. The wages of 90 people are involved. At the New York assay office the larger part of all expenditures have been met from the charges imposed upon bullion and the institution cannot be kept open for the transaction of business unless provision is made for meeting

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these expenses after June 30, 1912.

I therefore suggest that the proposed resolution contain the following specific provision, or one similar that meets your judgment, to cover the situation above pointed out:-

"That the unexpended balance of the permanent indefinite appropriation for parting and refining bullion remaining on the books of the Treasury June 30, 1912, may be drawn upon to defray in full the expenses incidental to refining and parting bullion in the mints at Denver and San Francisco and the Assay Office at New York, including labor, material, wastage and loss on sale of sweeps, until the regular appropriations for the mint service for the fiscal year 1913 are available, and that the amount expended under this provision shall be deducted from the annual appropriation for this service."

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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June 29, 1912.

Hon. John J. Fitzgerald,
Chairman Committee on Appropriations,
House of Representatives.

Sir:

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I therefore suggest that the proposed resolution contain the following specific provision, or one similar that meets your judgment, to cover the situation above pointed out:

"That the unexpended balance of the permanent indefinite appropriation for parting and refining bullion remaining on the books of the Treasury June 30, 1912, may be drawn upon to defray in full the expenses incidental to refining and parting bullion in the mints at Denver and San Francisco and the Assay Office at New York, including labor, material, wastage and loss on sale of sweeps, until the regular appropriations for the mint service for the fiscal year 1913 are available, and that the amount expended under this provision shall be deducted from the annual appropriation for this service.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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, July 1, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

In pursuance of the provisions of section twenty-five (25) of the act of August 27, 1894, I have the honor to present herewith a table of the estimate of the values of the standard coins of the nations of the world.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, July 1, 1912.

In pursuance of the provisions of section 25 of the act of August 27, 1894, I hereby proclaim the following estimate by the Director of the Mint of the values of foreign coins to be the values of such coins in terms of the money of account of the United States to be followed in estimating the value of all foreign merchandise exported to the United States during the quarter beginning July 1, 1912, expressed in any such metallic currencies.

Entries of merchandise liquidated upon the values proclaimed herein will be subject to reliquidation upon the order of the Secretary of the Treasury whenever satisfactory evidence shall be produced to him showing that the values in United States currency of the foreign money specified in the invoices were at the date of certification at least ten per centum more or less than the values herein proclaimed.

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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July 1, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

Pursuant to your request I went to the Capitol to-day and had an interview with Congressman Fitzgerald, Chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations about the status after July 1st of our appropriation for Parting and Refining Bullion. I called his attention to the Statutes and told him that in the opinion of the Comptroller of the Treasury it was a question whether the Resolution as drawn and about to be offered in the House for the purpose of extending all appropriations available during the last fiscal year to provide temporarily for the expenditures of the Government pending the passage of the regular appropriation bill for the fiscal year 1913, would apply to the appropriation for Parting and Refining Bullion. Mr. Fitzgerald expressed the opinion that the Resolution as drawn was broad enough to cover the Parting and Refining fund and thought any more explicit reference to it was unnecessary. He said the Resolution as drawn was intended to cover all such services which were to be continued, and he was satisfied that the Parting and Refining service was covered by it. Mr. Sherley of

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Kentucky, another member of the Committee on Appropriations was present and participated in the discussion. His views coincided with those of Mr. Fitzgerald. Mr. Courts, clerk to the Committee, said that eight such cases had occurred during his experience with the Committee, and that he was sure the Comptroller of the Treasury upon full consideration would dismiss any doubts he might have as to the sufficiency of the Resolution as prepared. Mr. Fitzgerald and Mr. Sherley agreed that they would not attempt to alter the resolution, their reason being that to do so was unnecessary.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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July2, 1912.

Mr. Oscar Hinrichs,
C/. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

You are hereby authorized and directed to proceed to the Mint of the United States at Carson for the purpose of examining the records of deposits in that institution, and when this examination is completed to return again to San Francisco and compare the corresponding records of that institution with those of the Mint at Carson.

While engaged in this service your necessary traveling and subsistence expenses will be paid from the appropriation for Contingent Expenses, Office of the Director of the Mint, 1913.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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July 2, 1912.

Hon. Edward W. Pou,
Chairman Committee on Claims,
House of Representatives.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your communication dated June 14, 1912, enclosing a copy of S. 104, a Bill for the relief of Carl Kruger, an employee of the Denver Mint, and appropriating $500.

Mr. Kruger was employed in the coining room and while so engaged his right hand was caught in a rolling mill upon which he was working and so badly mangled that amputation was necessary. He was absent from the Mint from February 28th to April 21st, 1906, but as the period was covered by the allowance for annual leave and sick leave he received his regular pay throughout the time. He was, however, necessarily subjected to heavy expense for surgical services, attendance, etc., and of course, the loss of his right hand is a serious affliction. I am of the opinion that the proposal to appropriate $500 for his relief is entirely warranted by the circumstances.

It has so far been possible to assign Mr. Kruger to employment in the mint which he could perform with one hand and he is still on the pay roll.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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July 3, 1912.

Hon. Francis E. Warren,
Chairman Committee on Appropriations,
United States Senate.

Sir:

Referring to the amendment to the bill (H. R. 25069) making appropriations for sundry civil expenses for the fiscal year 1913 for the relief of Benjamin S. Hanchett on account of expenses incurred by him in attending the meeting of the Annual Assay Commission in 1905, I have the honor to state that Mr. Hanchett was a member of the Assay Commission for the year 1905, that he attended this session in the Mint at Philadelphia, and that he has never been reimbursed for his expenses and cannot now be reimbursed except by special appropriation. It is understood that Mr. Hanchett claims to have forwarded his bill soon after the session of the Commission in 1905, but the records of this Department or of the Mint at Philadelphia do not show that the account was received.

The claim is a reasonable and just one which would have been allowed without question and paid had it been filed while funds were available.

Respectfully,

Secretary.

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July 5, 1912.

The Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

Referring to my letter of March 15th, 1912, with reference to estimated supplies which might be included in the General Supply schedule for the fiscal year 1913, I beg to request that you will advise me whether or not these articles have been included and whether or not we are expected to order such supplies on the General Supply Schedule, as no reply to the above letter appears to have been received from you.

Prior to this time it has been understood that the Mint service supplies were not included in those purchased by the General Supply Committee, and in support of this exception I beg to refer you to letter sent by Hon. C.D. Hilles, February 16, 1911, to the General Supply Committee, and also to my letter of January 23, 1911, addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury, with regard to supplies for the laboratory of the Mint Bureau which might at that time be included in the General Supply schedule. No reply to this letter appears to have been received. Will you please advise me if it is not your understanding that supplies for the Mint field service are not included in the General Supply

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schedule, and whether or not up to 1913 it was intended that supplies for the laboratory of the mint were to be purchased upon competitive bids invited by the Bureau of the Mint.

Copies of the letters above referred to are enclosed.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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July 6, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the detail of James Rowen to this Bureau from the Office of the Auditor for the War Department which expired on June 30, 1912, be extended for a period not to exceed ten days from July 1st, 1912.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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July 8, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the detail of W. C. Platt to this Bureau from the Office of the Auditor for the War Department, which expired June 30, 1912, be extended for a period not to exceed ten days from July 1, 1912.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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July 9, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that Certificate of Deposit #1748, Transfer Order #35675, issued in favor of Edward Sweeney, Superintendent U. S. Mint at San Francisco, as "Profits on the Recoinage of Hawaiian Silver Coins", be cancelled. The transfer order was requested on receipt of the usual statement from the Superintendent of the Mint.

The following copy of a telegram from the Superintendent is the cause for this request:

> San Francisco, Cal, June 26, 1912.
> Director Mint,
> Washington, D. C.
> Profits on Hawaiian silver coin redeemed not available until sa has been recoined. Please cancel certificate of deposit through treasurer.
> Sweeny Supt.

The original and duplicate certificates of deposit are enclosed herewith.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Geo E. Roberts

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July 9, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 21st ultimo relative to the methods employed in filing mail in this office I beg to state that the correspondence of this Bureau has been filed flat in vertical files for three years.

Press copies are still taken of letters outgoing. Carbon copies have not been deemed practicable.

The sequence of letters in a file of correspondence is chronological.

Filing letters by subject was fairly tried and abandoned as it was found impracticable with the present force of the Bureau to keep a subject file. Letters are numbered, the same number being given to all papers in a given case, so that the correspondence upon any subject is grouped together, and this method has been found more expeditious.

Only a part of the mail is indexed.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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July 10, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith receipt for premium on the bond of John W. Pack, Assistant Assayer in the Mint at San Francisco, for file in the department.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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July 10, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury in the name of Frank M. Downer, Superintendent, U.S.Mint, Denver, Colorado, the sum of seventy-six thousand nine hundred and ninety-eight dollars and eighty-three cents ($76,998.83) on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver, and that the bullion fund of said Mint be increased in this amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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July 9, 1912.

J. M. Gautier & Co.,
Jersey City, N. J.

Gentlemen:

Your offer of June 8th to supply the following graphite goods for the different institutions of the Mint service during the fiscal year 1913, is accepted for the following items, the quotations being for goods packed for shipment to any of the institutions ordering the same, articles to be so packed that they will be accepted by the Quartermaster U.S.A. for shipment, (with the exception of goods which may be ordered for the U.S. Assay Office at New York which deliveries may be made by truck) the consignor to be responsible for the condition of the goods until delivered to the institution to which consigned:

Crucibles.	
80 on specifications	$2.52
80 regular (Denver)	2.52
4 "	.18
Dippers.	
8	.36
Stirrers.	
Spoon	.40
Gold Plungers	.80
Horns	.58

Respectfully,

Approved:

Assistant Secretary

Director of the Mint.

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July 9, 1912.

Joseph Dixon Crucible Company,
Jersey City, N. J.

Gentlemen:

Your offer of June 7th to supply the following graphite goods for the different institutions of the Mint service during the fiscal year 1913, is accepted for the following items, the quotation being for goods packed for shipment to any of the institutions ordering the same, articles to be so packed that they will be accepted by the Quartermaster U.S.A., for shipment, (with the exception of goods which may be ordered for the U.S. Assay Office at New York which deliveries may be made by truck) the consignor to be responsible for the condition of the goods until delivered to the institution to which consigned:-

Crucibles.

No. 70	$2.28
50	1.68
30	1.01
12	.41
10 specials	.49

Stirrers.

0	.19
Straight	.24

Skimming Cups.

1	.22

Respectfully,

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

Director of the Mint.

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July 9, 1912.

Jonathan Bartley Crucible Co.,
Trenton, N. J.

Gentlemen:

Your offer of June 7th to supply the following graphite goods for the different institutions of the Mint service during the fiscal year 1913, is accepted for the following items, the quotations being for goods packed for shipment to any of the institutions ordering the same, articles to be so packed that they will be accepted by the Quartermaster U.S.A. for shipment, the consignor to be responsible for the condition of the goods until delivered to the institution to which consigned:-

Crucibles.	
60	$1.90
Covers.	
80 regular (Denver)	$0.40
70 "	.35
70 specials	.35
50	.25
40	.20
Dipping Cups.	
3	0.25
2	.23
1 special	.25
1 regular	.21
Rings.	
70	.50
70 (1/2)	.25

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Referring to the No. 80 covers I beg to say that it is desired that they shall fit a crucible having a top outside diameter of 12 inches and top inside diameter of 9-3/4 inches.

Please advise me of the diameter of the number 70 rings, top outside and top inside.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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July 11, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose herewith the bond of James McClure, Assistant Melter & Refiner, U.S.Mint, San Francisco, for approval and file in the Department.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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July 12, 1912.

The Chief
Section of Surety Bonds,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith receipt for premium on the bond of Stephen Frisby, an employee of the Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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July 12, 1912.

Mrs. Orville B. Lake,
The Kenmar, 10th & Pine Sts.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Madam:

Your earnest appeal in behalf of the present 5¢ piece has been received. I quite agree with you that if we are to make a change the new piece should be at least as artistic as the old one but is this so very difficult? A coin to be artistic should be suggestive and in some sense characteristic of the country to which it belongs. That cannot be said of the present 5¢ piece. The Buffalo and the Indian are both peculiar to the United States, identified together with its past and worthy of such a memorial as an artistic coin would be. The merit of the idea would seem to depend upon the ability of the artist to give us something distinctive, pleasing and of really national significance. Nothing has been determined upon but if such a result should be achieved we should count confidently upon your approval.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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July 12, 1912.

Hon. George P. McLean,
United States Senate.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 11th instant stating that you are receiving a large number of communications from various manufacturers of slot machines, fare registers, boxes, &c., in which they object seriously to the constant agitation relative to the size of the half-cent, three-cent and five-cent pieces.

Replying I beg to say that the proposals to issue three-cent pieces and half-cent pieces are embodied in bills before Congress and originated in that body. This Department has not proposed any changes in the dimensions of the now authorized coins.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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July 13, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of John H. Landis, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, the sum of $139,728 on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver coin and that the bullion fund of said Mint be increased in this amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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July 17, 1912.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

In accordance with the instructions in your circular letter of the 27th ult. I am enclosing herewith forms reporting upon the sanitary condition of the rooms in the Mint Service in the Treasury Department.

Respectfully,

A. W. Kelly

Acting Director of the Mint.

s.

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The Acting Supervising Architect,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of copy of your letter to the Superintendent of Construction, Post Office Building, Salt Lake City, Utah, in the interest of the Assay Office of the United States in that City, and looking toward the possible provision for space for that institution in the federal building. Please permit me to express my appreciation of your prompt attention to this matter. Our officer in charge of the Assay Office in Salt Lake has been advised of your action, and instructed to consult your representative.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Hon. R. O. Bailey,
Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

In accordance with instructions in your letter of the 8th inst. I am enclosing herewith information covering the bonded employees and bonds furnished with contracts for supplies for the Mint Service.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

S.

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The Chief
Division of Printing & Stationery.

Sir:

Please provide for the use of the Mint Service the following forms as prescribed and approved by the Comptroller of the Treasury in circular No. 27, June 15, 1912.

50 copies--

No. 1 Transportation request (original).
2 Transportation Request (memorandum copy)
5 Public voucher (original) for transportation of passengers (no land grant) settled by auditor.
6 Public voucher (memorandum copy) for transportation of passenger (no land grant) settled by auditor.
13. Public voucher (original) for transportation of greight (no land grant) settled by auditor.
14. Public voucher (memorandum copy) for transportation of freight (no land grant) settled by auditor.

17 Public voucher (original) for transportation of freight (land grant) settled by auditor.
18 Public voucher (memorandum copy) for transportation of freight (land grant) settled by auditor.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 18, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury,

Division of Public Moneys.

Sir:

I am forwarding herewith original certificate of deposit #222 dated June 29, 1912, for 36¢, made by W. M. Lynch, Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, New Orleans, La. The sum of 29¢ was erroneously deposited to the personal credit of this officer and should be placed to his official credit as a disbursing officer. The sum of 7¢ should be placed to his personal credit and covered into the Treasury to the credit of the appropriation "Wages of Workmen, Mint at New Orleans, 1912".

Correction as indicated is requested.

Respectfully,

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Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 18, 1912.

My dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge your letter of the 12th instant and am very much interested in your suggestion that the weight of the five-cent nickel piece be reduced to forty grains, but Section 3515 of the Revised Statutes provides that "the weight of the piece of five cents shall be seventy-seven and sixteen hundredths grains troy" and there can be no change in the weight or fineness of any of the coins without special act of Congress.

Under the provisions of the act of September 26, 1890, a change can be made in the design of the coins once in twenty-five years and it has been decided to have a new design for the five cent nickel piece, the present one having been adopted in 1883.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

Reverend P. Cody,
Rector St. James Church,
Newark, N. J.

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July 22, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury

Sir:

I understand that the Sundry Civil Bill as it has passed both Houses of Congress makes no provision for the required vault in the new building for the New York Assay Office and I beg to advise you that this is a serious omission. An appropriation for the building has been made but the vault must be constructed before the superstructure of the building is erected, in fact, should go in simultaneously with the foundation of the building. It is therefore impracticable to do anything with the building until an appropriation for the vault is available.

It is deplorable that there should be any further delay about the completion of the New York Assay Office. The first appropriation for the two buildings required by this institution was made six years ago and one of the old buildings was torn down about that time. Not only the working force but the patrons of the office have been seriously inconvenienced ever since by the lack of facilities for handling the important business which is carried on there. Refining operations are now being carried on in the rear building and the entire office force is also crowded into this building, designed only for the refining operations. There is a serious lack of vault capacity, of desk room, of proper ventilation and of all the conveniences for properly handling the business. The employees are working under very trying conditions and it will be most unfor-

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tunate if nothing can be done about the new office building until another year.

I am presenting these facts as urgently as I know how in the hopes that it may yet be possible in the General Deficiency Bill or elsewhere to make the necessary provision for vaults in order that the contracts for building and vaults may be let.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint

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July 23, 1912.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith for transmission to the Department of Commerce & Labor Form C.A.-4b, Claim for Compensation on account of Injury of Constantine N. Stewart, employee in the Mint at Philadelphia. Attached to this claim is the correspondence in the case, the Superintendent stating that in his opinion the injury of Mr. Stewart does not come under the Act of May 30, 1908.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint

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(Encl.)

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July 23, 1912.

Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith list of books which are of no use to the Mint Service and are now in bags in the Laboratory of the Bureau of the Mint. Will you please advise me as to the disposition that may be made of these books.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint

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(Encl.)

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July 23, 1912.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY:

Mr. French was employed in the Mint as a Painter and has only the status belonging to employees who have taken the non-educational examination. He is not eligible for reinstatement to such a position as Storekeeper.

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

s.

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July 24, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I beg to forward herewith voucher against the Subtreasury at St. Louis for $120.92, cost of making six counting boards, in partial fulfillment of your order of February 21, 1912, copy enclosed. Receipt for these counting boards is also enclosed.

Please cause the amount of this voucher to be credited to the following appropriations:

Wages of Workmen, Mint at Philadelphia,		1912	-$77.88
Contingant Expenses,	do	1912	- 43.04
			$120.92

Respectfully,

F

Director of the Mint.

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July 25, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

In accordance with section seven of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation act, approved March 1st, 1896, I have the honor to state that the business of this office for the quarter and month ending June 30, 1912, is not in arrears.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 29, 1912.

The Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

Will you please advise me whether laundry and hand soaps have been scheduled under the General Supply for the fiscal year 1913? If so, whether or not it is desired that purchase of these soaps be made for the field service under the direction of the Director of the Mint according to this schedule.

Will you also advise me whether or not asbestos cloth suitable for the manufacture of fire mitts has been included in the General Supply Schedule for 1913.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 29, 1912.

The Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.
Sir:

Included in the General Supply Schedule for the fiscal year 1913, under Class 8, Paints, Oils, Glass and Brushes, page 2, Class D, 2225, Item 8032, is Gasoline, commercial and deodorized, to be furnished by the Standard Oil Company. With a view to having a test made of the same to ascertain whether or not the gasoline bid upon would be suitable for the purposes of the Mint Service in our gas furnaces, inquiry was made of Dr. Marshall of the General Supply Committee, who stated over the telephone that all of the articles carried on the schedule this year could be ordered f.o.b. point of shipment, less the freight rate from said point of shipment to Washington. I understood from this conversation that shipment would be made from the nearest delivery point of the Company, and knowing that the Standard Oil Company had a shipping point in Philadelphia I requested the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia to order from the Standard Oil Company two gallons of each quality for this test. I am to-day in receipt of a letter from the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia stating that he made the request of the Standard Oil Company in Philadelphia to deliver under the General Supply schedule the oil required and that they declined to do so stating that they had no knowledge of bids having been made to the General Supply Committee. Upon receipt of this letter I telephoned to the Standard Oil Company in Washington, and they seemed to have no knowledge of how I was to obtain two gallons each of the grades of gasoline referred to for the Philadelphia Mint unless I had them ship the same from Washington. I telephoned Dr. Marshall who said that he would look the matter up, but if we are to have the comparisons made of the two grades of gasoline for the Mint service at Philadelphia we must have the test made without further delay as we have only sufficient gasoline to last about two weeks.

Will you please advise me what procedure is necessary in order that I may have delivered to the Mint at Philadelphia two gallons each of deodorized and commercial gasoline for test.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 30, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Frank M. Downer, Superintendent, U.S. Mint, Denver, Colorado, the sum of $45,837.16 on account of the profits on the coinage of minor coin, and the increase in the Minor Coinage Account in like amount. The coinage profits are divided as follows:-

On one cent bronze	$3,382.41	
On five " nickel	42,454.75	$45,837.16.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 6, 1912.

Mr. E. L. Leach,
Melter & Refiner, U.S.Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

You are hereby authorized and directed to proceed to the Mint of the United States at Carson, Nevada, stopping en route at Reno, Nevada, on business connected with redeposits received in the San Francisco Mint from Carson Assay Office.

While engaged in this service your necessary traveling and subsistence expenses will be paid from the appropriation for Contingent Expenses, Office of the Director of the Mint, 1913.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Approved:

R. Adams

Assistant Secretary.

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August 1, 1912.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendations contained in your letter of the 25th of May you are hereby authorized to accept the proposals of the following named firms for furnishing your Mint with supplies for the fiscal year 1913, and to enter into contract with the firms named:-

ASSOCIATED OIL COMPANY.
Fuel Oil ---------- $0.75 bbl.
(For the period July 1 to December 31, 1912.)

BAKER & HAMILTON.
Cotton Waste xxx, ---------- .104 lb.

BENNETT BROS.
Toilet Paper, No. 6, ---------- 3.89 case.

BRAUN-KNECHT-HEIMANN CO.
Annealing Cups, Battersea ---------- .70 doz.
Battersea Scorifiers, 3" ---------- 1.80 C.
Battersea Scorifiers, 4" ---------- 2.00 C.
Ammonia, C. P., ---------- .18½ lb.
Argols, ---------- .06½ "
Ferrous Sulphate, ---------- .95 cwt.

L. BRIZZOLARA & SON.
Wellington Coal ---------- 8.95 ton.
Cumberland Coal ---------- 14.05 "
Willow Charcoal, ---------- 27.95 "

BROWN & POWER STATIONERY CO.
Mill Brooms, No. 1 ---------- 19.68-5 doz.
House Brooms, No. 1, ---------- 21.87-5 "
Matches, Domino, ---------- 21.38-50 gross.

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JUSTINIAN CA[illegible]
Ni[illegible] [illegible]AKE COMPANY.

[illegible]ric Acid, C.P.,	$0.11 lb.
Borax, Refined Crystals,	.032 "
Bi-carbonate Soda	.02½ "

ENTERPRISE FOUNDRY CO.

Iron and Semi-Steel Castings:-	
Plain castings, not cored,	.04 "
Moulds	.05 "
Cored Castings, 50 lbs and over	.05 "
Cored Castings, 50 lbs or less	.06 "
Machine Castings, 50 lbs and over	.04½ "
Machine Castings, 50 lbs. or less	.05 "

GENERAL CHEMICAL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA.

Sulphuric Acid, 63° Be. In iron drums,	.70 cwt.

THE OSCAR KRENZ COPPER & BRASS WORKS.

Brass Castings:	
Plain castings, such as bearings	.20 lb.
Cored Castings, such as Suction Tees,	.20 lb.
Machinery Castings	.20 "
Bronze and Acid Castings:-	
Plain Castings, such as bearings,	.24 "
Cored Castings, such as Suction Tees,	.24 "
Machinery Castings,	.24 "

METROPOLITAN LAUNDRY COMPANY.

Towels, hand	.00¾ each
" roller,	.02 "
Rags	.00¾ "
Bags	.02 "
Scale Covers	.15 "
Desk Covers	.15 "

MURPHY GRANT & COMPANY.

Ashland, 4/4	.045 yd.
Duck, 7 oz.,	.115 "
Pequot 8/4	.205 "

NATIONAL PAINT & OIL COMPANY.

Alcohol, denatured,	.70 gal.

ROTHSCHILD & CO.

Drilling, Brown,	.0924 yd.
Mops, Cotton, 16 lb.,	.16½ lb.

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S. F. CHEMICAL COMPANY.

Nitric Acid 38° Be. ---------- $5.15 cwt.

STANDARD OIL COMPANY.

Candles, Granite Mining, 6s/16 oz/40s ---------- .09 lb.
Fuel Oil, ---------- .75 bbl.
For the period commencing January 1, 1913, and ending June 30, 1913.

STAUFFER CHEMICAL CO.

Hydrochloric Acid, ---------- 1.45 cwt.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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July 31, 1912.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendations contained in your letter of the 31st of May you are hereby authorized to accept the proposals of the following named firms for furnishing your Mint with supplies for the fiscal year 1913:-

MINE & SMELTER SUPPLY CO.

Fire Clay	
Hood Tile, S 41 A No. 2934	$4.50 per ton.
" " " " B " 2935	.40 each.
" " " " C " 2936	.50 "
Muffles	.50 "
ACIDS. CHEMICALS. Hydrochloric, C. P.,	8.00 doz.
Nitric Acid C. P.,	6.70 cwt.
Sulphuric Acid C. P.,	9.96 "
Ammonia, C. P.	6.45 "
Soda Bicarbonate	9.93 "
Ammonium Carbonate	1.88 "
Magnesite	.17 lb.
Gelatine	5.20 cwt.
Silica	.33 lb.
Crushed Rock Salt	.92 cwt.
Argol, red, powdered	10.00 ton.
Soap Bark	7.18 cwt.
Slab Zinc	.18 lb.
Bar Lead, C. P.,	7.75 cwt.
	8.10 "

DENVER FIRE CLAY CO.

Fire Brick, inc. Soaps & Splits	20.00 M
Arch Tile, S. 41 D No. 2937	.45 each
" " S 41 D No. 2938	.45 "
ACIDS etc. Nitre	.07 lb.
Ammonium Carbonate --Chloride	.08 "
Copper Sulphate	7.00 cwt.
Iron Sulphate	.016 lb.

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DENVER FIRE CLAY CO.--Continued.

Bone Ash (as per specification)	
" " (ground)	$4.50 cwt.
Borax Glass	4.25 "
Charcoal MXX	.12 lb.
Charcoal MBXX	.044 "
Beeswax	.034 "
Cream of Tartar	.36 "
Grain Alcohol	.36 "
Mercury	3.20 gal.
	.69 lb.

DENVER SEWER PIPE CO.

Quarter Slides S 20	.09 each
Pedestals, S 195	.27 "
Tile No. S 348	.45 each
Base Tile, S 69	.16 "
Magnesite Arch Brick	.05 "

WESTERN CHEMICAL CO.

Hydrochloric Acid, Commercial	1.50 cwt.
Nitric Acid "	9.25 "
Sulphuric Acid "	1.25 "

DENVER RUBBER CO.

Rubber tubing, assorted	1.00 lb. white.
" " pure gum	3.75 "
White Rubber Gloves	1.25 pair
" " "	2.20 "
Long Rubber Gauntlets	3.25 "
" " " 22" ex. heavy	4.50 "

Colorado ICE AND COLD STORAGE CO.

Ice	.17½ cwt.

COLORADO GRAY IRON FOUNDRY CO.

Grate bars	3.00 cwt.
Iron Castings	4.00 "

TEXAS OIL COMPANY.

Rolling Mill Oil	.30 gal.
Cylinder Oil	.33 "

CONTINENTAL OIL CO.

Compressor Oil	.29½ gal.
First Distillate	.06½ "

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GREAT WESTERN OIL CO.

Dynamo Oil	$0.28 gal.
Elevator Oil	.32 "

A.S.CARTER.

Rubber Stamps	.10 per line.

COLORADO TOWEL & SUPPLY CO.

LAUNDRY.

Bath Towels	.01
Roller Towels	.02
Bath Curtains	.10
Chair Back Covers	.03
Sheets	.01
Rags	.00½
Machine Covers	.15
Sash Curtains	.10
Floor Canvas	.10
Spreads	.01

A. D. LEWIS & SON.

DRY GOODS, etc.

Ostrich Feather Dusters, 8" bell	2.75 doz.
" " " ~~xxxxxx~~	~~xxxxxxxx~~
" " " 5" Carriage	32.75 "
~~Slasher Mops x 20 x 1½ x~~	~~xxxxxxxx~~
Elk Scrub Brushes	1.65 "
Noiseless Tip Matches	3.25 case
Cotton Mops, 12 lb.	1.60 doz.
" " 16 "	2.10 "
Linen Crash 18" free from sizing	.12½ yd.
Toweling, linen	.11 "
Carpet Mitts	4.75 doz.

DENVER DRY FOODS CO.

Anti Dust, 200 lbs. per bbl.,	5.00 bbl.
Defender Floor Brushes, 12"	8.00 doz.
" " " 16"	12.00 "
Aprons, heavy denim	.25 each
Sleeves, " "	.25 pr.
Chamois Skins	12.75 doz.
Sponges, Cuban	3.75 lb.

COLORADO INDUSTRIAL WORK SHOP.

Smelter Brooms	5.25 doz.
Sweeping Brooms	4.00 "

JOSLIN DRY GOODS COMPANY.

Cheese Cloth No. 3 Unbleached	.03 8/10 yd.
Cheese Clothe " 4 Bleached	.04 yd.

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DANIELS & FISHER STORES CO.

Slasher Mops, 16 lbs.,	$3.00 doz.
Asbestos Mitts,	.75 each
Furniture Polish	2.25 gal.
Fibre Buckets, 12 qt.,	3.50 doz.
Galvanized Iron Buckets, 12 qt.,	4.50 "
" " " 14 qt.,	6.00 "
Dust Pans	2.75 "
Carpet Tacks, 12 oz.,	.40 "
" " 14 "	.60 "
Shade Cord, 18 yds. to ball	.25 ball.
Whisk Brooms	3.00 doz.
Mop Sticks	2.40 doz.
Galvanized Tubs No. 3	7.20 "

J. J. BOHN BRUSH CO.

Cuspidor Brushes No. 4	4.25 doz.
Scrub Brushes No. 77	1.35 "
Furnace Brushes No. 268	9.00 "
" " " 6 Chinese	7.00 "
Hopper Brushes	4.75 "

A.P.W.Paper Co.

Toilet Pape r	7.50 case.

ANTONIO GARBARINO

Removing ashes and debris, per double horse load	1.00 per load.

SAYRE NEWTON LUMBER CO.

Mexican Clear:	1 x 8, 12 x 16	50.00 M ft.
	1 x 10 "	52.50 "
	1 x 12 "	55.00 "
	$1\frac{1}{4}$ x 8 "	55.00 "
	$1\frac{1}{4}$ x 10, 12 "	57.50 "
	2 x 8 "	55.00 "
	2 x 10 "	57.50 "
	2 x 12 "	57.50 "
Oregon Fir:	3 x 12, 16, 18, 20	25.00 "

WILLIAM E. RUSSELL

Coal (Yampa Valley, 12,200 B.T.U.)	4.15 per ton

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HALLECK & HOWARD LUMBER CO.

Oregon Fir:	3 x 12, 16, 18, 20	$25.00	M ft.
	2 x 12, 12 and 16	22.50	"
	2 x 12, 18 and 20	23.50	"
	2 x 12, 22 and 24	24.50	"
	2 x 14, 12 and 16	25.00	"
	2 x 14, 18 and 20	26.00	"
	2 x 14, 22 and 24	27.00	"
	4 x 6, 12 to 24	25.00	"
Quarter Sawed White Oak:			
	1 x 6, 8, 12 and 14	110.00	"
	1 x 10	110.00	"
	1¼ x 6,	115.00	"
	1¼ x 8,	115.00	"
	1¼ x 10,	115.00	"
Plain Oak:			
	3 x 8, 12 and 16	85.00	"
Hard Maple:	1 x 6, 8, 10, 12 and 16	60.00	"
	1½ x 6, 8, 10 "	65.00	"
	3 x 8	70.00	"

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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August 7, 1912.

The Chief,
Section of Surety Bonds,
Office of the Secretary.

Sir:

I beg to advise you that the following named bonded employees are no longer in the Mint service:-

F. A. Pedlar, Skilled Workman, Mint at San Francisco, deceased July 25, 1912.

Feargus Hanson, Helper, Mint at San Francisco, resigned July 31, 1912.

Walter S. Mengen, Helper, Mint at Philadelphia, resigned July 15, 1912.

Thomas J. Taylor, Clerk, Mint at San Francisco, resigned, June 15, 1912.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint

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August 10, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have to report that an express package containing scrap gold valued by the consignor at $400 seems to have been lost from the New York Assay Office after being receipted for at that institution. The Express Company holds the receipt of one of the force of our receiving room upon its delivery book, but no such package has ever entered into the records of the institution. I beg to request that a Secret Service official be requested to confer with the Superintendent of the Assay Office upon the case.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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August 9, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to state, in accordance with section seven of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation act, approved March 1st, 1912, that the business of this office is not in arrears.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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August 12, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of John H. Landis, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, the sum of $110,388.57 on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver, and that the bullion fund of said Mint be increased in that amount.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Aug. 20, 1912.

To the Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith Form C.A.-2a., Termination of Disability, for William C. Berry, Helper in the Mint at Philadelphia, injured August 13, 1912, for transmission to the Department of Commerce & Labor.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint

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(Encl.)

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Aug. 21, 1912.

The Honorable,

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

Pursuant to the suggestion contained in the Chief Clerk's letter of August 17th I am enclosing herewith the report of the clerk designated to observe the demonstration of the Moon-Hopkins Billing Machine at the Winder Building.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint

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(Encl.)

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Aug. 21, 1912.

The Director of the Mint,

Treasury Department.

Sir:

Obedient to directions, I have to report that I yesterday attended the demonstration of the Moon-Hopkins Billing Machine, at the Winder Building.

While the machine is of wide scope, in my judgment it is not sufficiently so to be of practical value on bullion computations and abstracting, while other lines of work to which it is applicable, in the Mint Bureau and field institutions, are not sufficient in volume to warrant the installation of the machine.

Respectfully,

Clerk.

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Aug. 22, 1912.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Heretofore each of the three coinage mints has had a Melter and Refiner and a Coiner, appointed by the President, and an Assistant Melter and Refiner and Assistant Coiner, appointed by their superior officer with the approval of the Superintendent of the Mint and the Director of the Mint. The Assay Office at New York has also had a Melter and Refiner and an Assistant Melter and Refiner appointed in the same manner.

In our estimates submitted to the present Congress the foregoing positions were all done away with and in place of the Melter and Refiner and Assistant Melter and Refiner in each institution we provided for a Superintendent of the Melting and Refining Department; and in place of the Coiner and Assistant Coiner we provided for a Superintendent of the Coining Department. The salaries of the Presidential appointees in each case have been $3,000 per annum and of the Assistants $2,000 per annum except in the case of the Assistant Coiner at Philadelphia which was last year made $2,500. The estimates provided that the new positions of Superintendent of the Melting & Refining Department should receive $3,000 and the Superintendent of the Coining Department $2,500. The bill went through according to the estimates except in the case of the San Francisco Mint where the salary of the Superintendent of the Coining Department is fixed at $3,000 instead of $2,500 and the position of Assistant Coin-

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er is retained.

The persons who hold the positions of Melter and Refiner in the four institutions are all skilled in their work and we desire to retain them in the same functions under the new title. They are E. R. Leach, San Francisco Mint, Joseph W. Milsom, Denver Mint, D. K. Tuttle, Philadelphia Mint, and H. J. Slaker, New York Assay Office. As the new position of Superintendent of the Melting & Refining Department will be in the classified service it will be necessary for the President to issue an order making these people eligible to fill it.

The position of Coiner in the Denver Mint is now held by J. C. Wells, who was appointed to the place from a subordinate position within the classified service and he is eligible for appointment to the new position without action.

The most perplexing situation is presented in the case of the Coiner of the San Francisco Mint, Mr. William Cutter. Mr. Cutter was appointed Coiner September 20, 1907 and is 76 years of age. He had had no previous Mint experience and is not suited in qualifications for the new place. One purpose in recommending the change was to place these departments directly under the management of practical and experienced men and it has been expected that Mr. Kearney, who has served for some time as Assistant Coiner, would be put in charge of the department, thus eliminating one person. I am enclosing herewith a letter from Senator Perkins in behalf of Mr. Cutter's retention. If Mr. Cutter is appointed to the new place he will come into all the rights of a classified employee and thereafter can only be removed by bringing charges against him.

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The situation in the Coining Department of the Philadelphia Mint is similar to that at San Francisco; Mr. Freed, the present Coiner, has held the position since 1902 and is 49 years of age. He had had no previous experience in Mint operations and although he is regular in his attendance is not an active factor in the management of the department. Mr. Clark, the Assistant Coiner, is a capable man and the responsibility of management has devolved upon him. It has been a part of our plan to have him appointed to the new position but if Mr. Cutter is retained in the San Francisco Mint Mr. Freed will certainly expect to be retained in Philadelphia.

No appropriation is carried for the salary of Mr. Clark as Assistant Coiner in the bill just passed and if Mr. Freed is retained the only way we can provide for Mr. Clark is by paying him as a Skilled Workman out of the lump appropriation and as we are running to the limit it would be necessary to lay off a couple of workmen in order to save enough to pay him.

Notwithstanding the political embarrassment which will inevitably arise it seems to me practically necessary that Messrs. Cutter and Freed be eliminated in this reorganization. It was one of the chief purposes of the change to place the administration of these departments directly in the hands of experienced and effective men. If the incumbents could be allowed to remain undisturbed for a time that might be a defensible policy but to carry them into the classified service and establish them with all the rights of other classified employees is another thing.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

S.

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August 28, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that one man be detailed from the force of the Sub-treasury at San Francisco to assist Mr. F. P. Dewey, representative of this Bureau, in making the settlement at the San Francisco Mint which is required at this time by the transfer of the Superintendency to Mr. Frank A. Leach.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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August 22, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend that you request the President to issue an executive order authorizing the following named persons to be appointed to the positions set opposite their names without civil service examination.

D. K. Tuttle, Superintendent of Melting and Refining Department, Mint at Philadelphia.

Joseph W. Milsom, Superintendent of Melting and Refining Department, Mint at Denver.

E. R. Leach, Superintendent of Melting and Refining Department, Mint at San Francisco.

Dr. D. K. Tuttle has been Melter and Refiner of the Mint at Philadelphia, by presidential appointment, since March 29, 1888. He is Dean of the Mint Service, is thoroughly educated in metallurgy, and has developed the process of refining gold and silver by electricity by means of which large amounts of platinum and other rare metals are now recovered from bullion and inure to the profit of the government. Having held this position by presidential appointment he has never been in the classified service. Now that the functions of his position are carried into the classified service it is necessary that he be formally carried in also.

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Mr. Joseph W. Milsom has held the position of Melter and Refiner in the Denver Mint since it was opened to coinage operations and had previously held the position of Melter in the Assay Office there. He is an efficient man and should be carried into the classified service with the position.

Mr. E. R. Leach was appointed Melter & Refiner of the San Francisco Mint in August, 1908, and has satisfactorily discharged the duties of the position ever since. He is well qualified for the place and it is desirable that he should continue in charge of that department. In order that this may be so he must be carried into the classified service.

Inasmuch as all of these men are now discharging these responsible duties under presidential appointment, and as their offices are abolished by the new appropriation act, and the new position - Superintendent of Melting and Refining - is established in each mint in lieu thereof, in order that there may be no break in their services or in their compensation it is necessary that this order be executed on the day of the approval of the legislative bill or not later than the following day.

Respectfully,

Robt. Woolley

Director of the Mint.

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Aug. 23, 1912.

The Honorable,

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

A regular annual settlement with the Superintendent and other officials of the San Francisco Mint was held at the close of the last fiscal year and at that time several vaults were sealed under the joint seal of the settlement committee and representatives of the Superintendent. The death of the Superintendent since that time and the installation of a successor makes it necessary to have another settlement and a transfer of the values on hand. I have to request that you will ask the Solicitor of the Treasury to give a written opinion as to whether it is necessary to open all of the vaults under seal and make a complete count and invoive of all coin bullion and other material on hand in order to legally hold the new Superintendent's bond or will the Government be sufficiently protected in case the new Superintendent is willing to receipt for the values reported by the settlement committee to be contained in the sealed vaults. In short, will the new Superintendent's receipt be valid and sufficient to make him and his bondsmen fully liable for the reported contents of these vaults?

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

S.

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August 24, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that Mr. B. F. Butler, Computer of Bullion at $2,500 per annum in the Bureau of the Mint be appointed to the position of Computer and Adjuster of Accounts at $2,500.00 per annum.

Mr. Butler has held the position of Computer of Bullion since December, 1889, and will continue to perform the duties of that position in addition to the work of adjusting the accounts. The consolidation of the position of Computer of Bullion and Adjuster of Accounts makes it necessary for Mr. Butler to be formally appointed to the position now provided by law.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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August 24, 1912.

Mr. H. D. Coleman,
U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

You are hereby appointed Assistant Superintendent of Melting and Refining Department, U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, with compensation at the rate of $2000 per annum; the appointment to take effect from date of oath.

Respectfully,

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Secretary.

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August 24, 1912.

Mr. Robert Clark,
U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

You are hereby appointed Superintendent of Coining Department, Mint of the United States at Philadelphia, with compensation at the rate of $2500 per annum; the appointment to take effect on date of oath.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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August 24, 1912.

Dr. D. K. Tuttle,
U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Under the provisions of Executive Order of August 24, 1912, you are hereby appointed Superintendent of the Melting and Refining Department, U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, with compensation at the rate of $3,000 per annum, the appointment to take effect on date of oath.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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August 24, 1912.

Mr. H. R. Leach,
U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Under the provisions of Executive Order of August 24, 1912, you are hereby appointed Superintendent of the Melting and Refining Department, U. S. Mint at San Francisco, with compensation at the rate of $3000 per annum; the appointment to take effect on date of oath.

Respectfully,

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Secretary.

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August 24, 1912.

Mr. Joseph W. Wilson,
U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Under the provisions of Executive Order of August 24, 1912, you are hereby appointed Superintendent of the Melting and Refining Department, U. S. Mint at Denver, with compensation at the rate of $3,000, the appointment to take effect on date of oath.

Respectfully,

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Secretary.

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August 24, 1912.

Mr. J. C. Wells,
U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

You are hereby appointed Superintendent Superintendent Coining Department, U. S. Mint at Denver, with compensation at the rate of $2,500 per annum; the appointment to take effect on date of oath.

Respectfully,

Secretary.

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August 24, 1912.

Mr. J. H. Hetrich,
U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

You are hereby appointed Clerk in the Mint of the United States at Denver, Colorado, with compensation at the rate of $2,000 per annum; the appointment to take effect from date of oath.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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August 24, 1912.

Mr. H. J. Slaker,
U. S. Assay Office,
New York, N. Y.

Sir:

You are hereby appointed Superintendent of Melting and Refining Department, U. S. Assay Office at New York with compensation at the rate of $3000 per annum; the appointment to take effect on date of oath.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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August 27, 1912.

The Chief Clerk,

Treasury Department.

Sir:

The only new legislation secured at the last session of Congress in which the Mint Bureau was interested was that which abolished the presidential offices of the Coiner and the Melter and Refiner, substituting in lieu of these the positions of Superintendent of the Melting & Refining Department and Superintendent of the Coining Department. The effect is to make the heads of these Departments more definitely subordinate to the Superintendent of the Mint and more directly responsible to him, thus establishing a more efficient organization.

A recommendation was submitted in favor of abolishing the minor assay offices, but failed of enactment. Another recommendation was submitted in favor of changing the composition of the one-cent piece, but failed of enactment.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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August 26, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a letter received from the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at Seattle, Washington, in which he requests that he be permitted to withdraw from the files of this Department certain papers connected with a deposit made in the Seattle Office, to be used in lieu of one of the books of record, for submission in a case in litigation. I have the honor to request that the Auditor be permitted to release the papers for this purpose, the same to be returned by Mr. Vilas.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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August 28, 1912.

The Chief Clerk,

Treasury Department.

Sir:

In reply to your circular letter of the 26th instant I am transmitting herewith three copies of circulars forwarded from this Bureau.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Enclosures:

Value Foreign Coins.

Medal Circular.

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August 28, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a letter received from the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at Seattle, Washington, in which he requests that he be permitted to withdraw from the files of this Department certain papers connected with a deposit made in the Seattle Office, to be used in lieu of one of the books of record, for submission in a case in litigation. I have the honor to request that the Auditor be permitted to release the papers for this purpose, the same to be returned by Mr. Vilas.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

APPROVED 8/28/12.

A. O. Bailey

Assistant Secretary

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Aug. 31, 1912.

The Chief Clerk,

Treasury Department.

Sir:

Complying with directions of letter of the 16th instant, I am forwarding herewith for transmission to the President's Commission on Economy and Efficiency, prepared forms numbers 8 to 12 inclusive.

Respectfully,

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N. V. Feely

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 3, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 30th ultimo relative to appointments and changes in the personnel of the Mint Service I have the honor to state that the roster is now being prepared and will be forwarded to you immediately upon its completion.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Sept. 4, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose a copy of a communication from the Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco asking that a contract be entered into with the American District Telegraph Co. for electrical protection service for Vault "G" of that institution and beg to request that the same be referred to the Supervising Architect with instructions to give the same prompt consideration. A proposal from the American District Telegraph Co. is also forwarded.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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(Encl.)

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September 3, 1912.

Mr. William Kelday,
1221 Masonic Avenue,
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Your letter, addressed to the President, relative to your appointment as Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco, was duly received. The name of Hon. Frank A. Leach, formerly Superintendent of the Mint, and later Director of the Mint, and several other names, were also presented, and after full consideration, and in view of the experience Mr. Leach had had in the position it was deemed advisable to recommend his name to the President.

Respectfully,

Acting Secretary.

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September 4, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Seattle, Washington, be increased in the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($250,000) by a transfer of that amount in gold coin from the Mint at Denver; shipment to be made by American Express to the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Seattle, Washington, to be authorized by wire, and to be in the following denominations:-

Half Eagles ----------	$100,000
Eagles ----------	$100,000
Double Eagles ----------	50,000

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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September 7, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that blank form of bond be prepared for execution by Daniel P. Kingsford, Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y. in the sum of $100,000. Mr. Kingsford was appointed Superintendent of the U. S. Assay Office at New York on February 2, 1911, and gave a bond which was approved in the sum of $50,000 on March 1, 1911. It is now recommended that Mr. Kingsford's bond be increased to the sum of $100,000.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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September 7, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that blank form of bond be prepared for execution by Mr. Harrison J. Slaker, Superintendent of Melting and Refining Department, in the sum of $20,000. Mr. Slaker was appointed Superintendent of Melting and Refining Department, U. S. Assay Office at New York, on August 24, 1912.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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September 7, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that blank forms of bonds in the sums indicated be prepared for execution by the following named employees of the Mint Service:-

David K. Tuttle,	Superintendent of Melting and Refining Department, Mint at Philadelphia ----- Dr. Tuttle was appointed to this position on August 24, 1912.	$20,000
Robert Clark,	Superintendent of Coining Department Mint at Philadelphia ---------- Mr. Clark was appointed to this position on August 24, 1912.	10,000
Edwin R. Leach	Superintendent of Melting and Refining Department, Mint at San Francisco --- Mr. Leach was appointed to this position on August 24, 1912.	20,000
John C. Wells	Superintendent of Coining Department Mint at Denver --- ---------- Mr. Wells was appointed to this position on August 24, 1912.	10,000
Joseph W. Milsom	Superintendent of Melting and Refining Department, Mint at Denver ---------- Mr. Milsom was appointed to this position on August 24, 1912.	20,000

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Sept. 9, 1912.

Hon. Franklin MacVeagh,
Dublin, N. H.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

It is true as reported in the newspapers that Miss Kelly is to be married and she expects to resign about November 1st.

I hope you will not give consideration to any applications for her place until I can go over the matter with you. I do not want anyone from another branch of the Treasury Service. I have in mind several persons in the outside offices of the Mint Service who by reason of their practical familiarity with the work of the Service would be more valuable in the Bureau than anyone without such experience. It is a handicap upon the management of the Service that it must be directed from an office so far removed from actual operations and it is very desirable to recruit the force here from the outside offices in order to maintain as close a relationship as possible.

I am enclosing herewith a newspaper reproduction of the new French 10 Centime nickel piece. It might be worth while to forward it to the President with your letter relative to the Fraser piece. While the reproduction is not very good it shows that the new French piece will be of high artistic merit and indicates the consideration given abroad to this phase of coinage.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

S.

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Sept. 9, 1912.

Hon. Franklin MacVeagh,
Dublin, N. H.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

We have lately discovered that the appropriation for the San Francisco Mint was considerably muddled in the contest which occurred on the floor of the House. You will recall that the item as reported by the Committee was quite different from our estimate and was amended on the floor by the adoption of the paragraph carried in the previous year's bill. In the previous year all of the expenses of carrying on the refinery were paid from the earnings but for the current year no earnings are available. The Wage Fund as carried last year and repeated this year is ample to take care of wages but the provision for contingent expenses expressly states that no part of the sum therein appropriated can be used for paying the contingent expenses of the refinery. In other words, we have no money for the acids and other supplies needed for the conduct of the refinery. It will be unfortunate as disorganizing mint operations not to be able to run the refinery although not particularly affecting the public. We have a pretty good stock of supplies excepting acids and we buy electric current for which bills are presented monthly. I presume we can get an item for our relief into the Urgent Deficiency Bill next winter and I have no doubt that the contractors for electric current and acids in view of our plight would be willing to go on furnishing what we want and take their pay after the appropriation is made but are you willing to have such a deficiency created? It will be necessary, of course, for you to ask Congress for the appropriation and necessary that the appropriation shall be so worded as to cover the bills already incurred as well as those to be incurred during the remainder of the year. It is greatly to be preferred that the operations of the refinery go on without interruption rather than that the work be suspended for several months but it is for you to say whether a deficiency shall be created.

I am enclosing herewith a letter received from Mr. Cutter, late Coiner of the San Francisco Mint. You will remember that Cutter was one of our problems. I wrote him a friendly letter explaining why the Department did not see its way to recommend to the President that he be carried into the classified service, saying that it was our policy everywhere to require practical men for this position

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and that in view of the small amount of coinage to be done at San Francisco it seemed impossible to make an exception there. You will see that he accepted the situation quite cheerfully. I understand that no protest has been received from Senator Perkins. On the other hand, Congressman Knowland, of California, telegraphed a protest to me and to Senator Perkins against the decision not to promote Kearney to the head of the Coining Department. I am enclosing Knowland's telegram herewith. Of course, I had made no promise relative to Kearney that was binding under the circumstances. I had stated to Knowland and to Kearney himself when I was last in San Francisco that if the proposed reorganization went through we intended to promote practical and experienced men to the new position and that Kearney was in line for it. I did not say this as a promise but as a statement of our intention. The place carries $2,500 per year in each of the other mints but Senator Perkins made it $3,000 for the San Francisco Mint. Kearney is now serving as head of the department but under his old designation, Assistant Coiner, with a salary of $2,000. I do not think he has a fair claim to $3,000 while the same position in the other mints carries only $2,500 but I have suggested to Mr. Leach that if he is appointed Superintendent of the Coining Department on January 1st, next, and receives the salary for the remainder of the fiscal year of $3,000 he will actually receive for the year the same amount as the men in the same position elsewhere. I think this is the fair and proper thing to do and in our estimates we will carry $2,500 as the salary of the place after this year. Kearney is a competent and experienced man, is in line for the place, and there is no good reason for keeping him permanently out of it. Leach writes that he is very much hurt over not being appointed but ~~that~~ he feels believes the suggestion I have made will smooth out the entire situation. It probably suits Cutter better not to have the new place immediately filled and avoids any friction over the fact that Kearney is a Democrat. I would like to know how the proposal strikes you.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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(Encls.)

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The Honorable,

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia be permitted to increase his Minor Coinage Expense Fund in the hands of the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia from $1,000 to $2,500. Inasmuch as it is sometimes necessary for him to draw checks in excess of $1,000 in payment for metal the present fund is too small.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

s.

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September 9, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Frank M. Downer, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colorado, the sum of $34,692.62 on account of the profits on the coinage of one-cent bronze pieces and the increase in that amount of the Minor Coinage Metal Fund.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to state, in accordance with section seven of the legislative, executive and judicial act of March 1st, 1926, that the business of this office for the month ended August 30, 1912, is not in arrears.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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September 10, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that the bullion fund of the United States Assay Office at Seattle, Washington, be increased in the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($250,000) by a transfer of that amount in gold coin from the Mint at Denver; shipment to be made by ~~American~~ express to the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Seattle; to be authorized by wire, and to be in the following denominations:-

Eagles	$50,000
Double eagles	100,000
Half eagles	100,000.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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Sept. 10, 1912.

The Honorable,

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

In a conference with the Treasurer of the United States it has been agreed to have a transfer made of $25,000 in circulated subsidiary coin from the subtreasury at Philadelphia to the Mint for the purpose of having the same cleaned. It is thought that this treatment may put the coin in condition to answer the popular demand for bright new pieces for holiday use, thus avoiding the purchase of bullion for further coinage when the stock of subsidiary coins in the Treasury is sufficient.

I have the honor to request that a transfer of $25,000 in circulated quarters from the Philadelphia Subtreasury to the Mint be authorized.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

S.

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September 9, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith receipt for premium on the bond of Francis O. Minor of the Mint of the United States at New Orleans for file in the Section of Surety Bonds.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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September 12, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 11th instant relative to bonds which Mint employees have been required to execute I beg to submit the following:-

William R. Moore, Helper, U.S.Assay Office, Helena, Montana, executed a bond which was approved September 23, 1910.

John G. Jordan, Helper, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, executed a bond which was approved June 8, 1911.

Albert B. McElroy, Assistant Melter, U. S. Mint at Denver, was furloughed August 2, 1909.

Flora A. Scott, Selector, Mint at Denver, was furloughed June 13, 1911.

Jacob Cook, Helper, U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, was furloughed March 1, 1910.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of John H. Landis, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, the sum of $167,555.82 on account of the profits on the coinage of one-cent bronze and five-cent nickel pieces and that the Minor Coinage account of said Mint be increased in that amount.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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September 12, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of John H. Landis, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, the sum of $331,267.08 on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver and that the bullion fund of said Mint be increased in like amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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September 12, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is recommended that Eugene C. Grice, Assayer's Assistant in the United States Assay Office at Boise, Idaho, who resigned his position June 1, 1912, be reinstated in that office at a salary of $1500 per annum. The United States Civil Service Commission has issued "Certificate Authorizing Reinstatement" No. 3960, and I have the honor to request that this Bureau be advised of the action taken in the matter.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

The Superintendent of the Assay Office of the United States at New York has nominated Marshall S. Walker for the position of Technical Assistant in the Assay Department of that institution, at $3.50 per diem. Mr. Walker's name was submitted from the eligible list of the Civil Service Commission.

It is recommended that favorable action be taken upon this nomination and this Bureau advised.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 14, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Edward Sweeny, late Superintendent of the Mint of the United States at San Francisco, to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, the following amounts as ~~transfer~~ repayment of funds, the same being the balances held by Superintendent Sweeny, deceased August 17, 1912. There are no outstanding checks against these funds:

Bullion Fund.	
With Assistant Treasurer at New York ----------	$2,967,770.39
" " " San Francisco -------	1,182,449.30
Metal Fund.	
With Assistant Treasurer at San Francisco -------	15,020.49
Ordinary Expenses Account.	
With Assistant Treasurer at San Francisco -------	9,449.13
	4,174,689.31

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 13, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to state that the Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco desires to have reinstated in the institution named the following; named employees, at the same rate of compensation, and to the same positions, as formerly. The employes named were, without delinquincy or misconduct on their parts, dropped from the rolls, in accordance with Mint Regulations, on account of absence in excess of thirty days without pay:-

Frances C. White,	Selector,	$2.50,	dropped	August 31,	1912.
Emily Van Orden	"	2.50	"	"	"
Leon L. Jones	Helper	3.50	"	"	"
Cecil Drake	"	3.50	"	"	"
William H. Lowrie	"	3.50	"	Sept. 4,	"

Please advise this Bureau of the action taken.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint

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September 16, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir;

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt, by reference, of the letter of the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia, requesting the transfer to the Mint of two hoppers and boards used in counting coin, and beg to state that there is no objection to the transfer of the counting boards and hoppers to the Mint.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that the bullion fund of the Assay Office of the United States at Seattle, Washington, be increased in the sum of $300,000 by a transfer of that amount in gold coin from the Mint at Denver; shipment to be made by Adams Express Company to the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Seattle, and to be authorized by wire in the following denominations:

Double eagles ----------$200,000
Half eagles ---------- 100,000

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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September 10, 1912

Dear Mr. Secretary:

In reference to the mix-up in the appropriation for the San Francisco Mint, by which we have no appropriation available for the contingent expenses of the refinery, I am quoting below from a letter received from Superintendent Leach in which he treats of an interview with Senator Perkins:

> "I explained to the Senator about the lack of an appropriation for contingent expenses in operating the refinery and he said: 'But if Congress adjourned did you have a fund from which to meet such conditions?' I did not see any reason why we could not, on appeal, meet the expense with an appropriation in the deficiency bill. Of course, we can get credit for the power and gold necessary with the understanding that the bills are to be paid when provision is made therefor, if there is any way to find authority for creating the deficiency."

I have not heard from you as to your views on this subject. I am strongly of the opinion that we should go ahead and operate the refinery. No actual deficiency will be created. There is plenty of money in the mint appropriations to meet all the expenses of operation during the fiscal year; all we shall want in the deficiency bill is an amendment to one paragraph in the legislative bill, striking out a clause which forbids our paying the contingent expenses of the refinery from the regular contingent expenses of the mint. The situation is wholly the result of an amendment upon the floor of the house. There was no intention with anybody to discontinue refinery operations in the mint. We have plenty of money in the wage fund and unless we go ahead we shall be obliged to either furlough

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Dear Mr. Secretary:

In reference to the mix-up in the appropriation for the San Francisco Mint, by which we have no appropriation available for the contingent expenses of the refinery, I am quoting below from a letter received from Superintendent Leach in which he treats of an interview with Senator Perkins:

> "I explained to the Senator about the lack of an appropriation for contingent expenses in operating the refinery and he said that if Secretary MacVeagh did not have a fund from which to meet such conditions he did not see any reason why we could not go ahead and meet the expense with an appropriation in the deficiency bill. Of course, we can get credit for the power and acid necessary with the understanding that the bills are to be paid when provision is made therefor, if there is any way to find sanction for creating the deficiency."

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our skilled workmen, which would be a great hardship to them, or pay them for doing nothing. To furlough them, or discontinue operations in the refinery would very likely revive the charge that we were conspiring to close the refinery.

As already stated, there is plenty of money already appropriated; all we want is authority to use it for this purpose, and we can buy all of the supplies wanted upon the condition that they shall be paid for when money is available.

I spoke to Assistant Secretary Bailey about the matter and he agreed with me that we should go ahead. As the settlement made necessary by the death of Superintendent Sweeny is now completed we are ready to start up.

I have written to Mr. Fraser repeating your suggestion that he call upon the President and take Mr. French with him. As soon as I have heard from him I will notify you in order that you may make a date.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

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The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I am submitting herewith the estimates for the Mint Service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1914.

The total sum asked for is $1,232,220 which, compared with $1,229,020, the total of appropriations for the current year, shows an increase of $3,200. There is, however, no increase over what the actual expenditures this year will be. The estimate for freight on bullion and coin is $5000 over the appropriation for this year, $25,000, and the latter is inadequate. The actual payments on this account for the fiscal year 1912 now total above $26,000, with other bills yet to come. We have practically no control over this item of expenditure. So long as Congress requires that the minor assay offices be maintained we must transport the receipts of those offices to the mints. The cost of this transportation for the next fiscal year cannot safely be estimated under $30,000.

The most important increases in the estimates are for the offices at New York and at Deadwood.

The business of the New York office is increasing and the appropriation for the current fiscal year is scant. The increases proposed are absolutely necessary to take care of the business of this office. The Deadwood office is now next to Seattle in importance among the minor assay offices, and since Congress is determined to maintain these offices I think Deadwood should be put upon the same basis as the others.

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The salary of the Assayer in Charge last year was $2000 and I have estimated for an increase to $2500 which is the amount paid to the Assayer in Charge at Helena and at Salt Lake City. The Assayer in Charge at Seattle receives $2750. The receipts of the Deadwood office during the last fiscal year were $7,529,261. If the office is to be maintained, and the Assayer in Charge held responsible for handling these values, I think $2500 per annum is not too much to pay, and it is only just when the salaries of the other officers in the same position are considered. The increase in wages and contingent appropriations for the same office are necessary to handle the increased volume of business.

The reductions in the Helena office and the New Orleans office were submitted last year but Congress ignored them.

It is necessary to plan for more or less coinage of gold from this time on. Under the law one third of the reserve against outstanding certificates may be held in gold bullion. At this date the total amount of outstanding certificates is $1,061,293,269. Of the reserve against this amount $353,764,423 may be in bullion and the Treasury actually holds in this reserve $172,295,029 of bullion. We might, therefore, have $181,469,394 more bullion and still be within the law, but it is not desirable to carry at all times all of the bullion which the law allows. The Treasury should always be able to receive say - $100,000,000 of gold bullion and give certificates for it without delay. In 1907 more than $100,000,000 in foreign coin and bullion was imported inside of sixty days, and it is highly important that in such an emergency our bankers shall be able to bring gold from abroad and convert it immediately into available funds. If the Treasury is to be in position to do this it should always have a margin of approximately $100,000,000 between its actual bullion holdings and the legal limit of such holdings. It is, therefore, advisable that the mints should coin a part of their gold receipts every year. The receipts last year amounted to $151,929,883.

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The cost of transporting all gold and silver from the mints to the offices of the Treasury is now provided for in the appropriation for contingent expenses of the independent treasury. (See pages 16 and 17 of the Act making appropriations for the Sundry Civil Expenses, fiscal year 1913). Heretofore all expenses connected with the distribution of minor coin (five-cent nickel and one-cent bronze) has been paid by the mints from the profits from the manufacture of these coins. This has been done under an old law - the coinage act of 1873. It would simplify the mint accounts, be a more logical arrangement, and be a better bookkeeping system all around, if the transportation of these coins from the mints to the offices of the Treasury was paid from the contingent appropriation of the Treasury, and if the other incidental expenses connected with the distribution, such as the purchase of bags, seals, etc., were paid from the regular contingent funds of the mints. This would be simply consolidating the expenditures connected with the distribution of minor coins with similar expenses on account of the silver and gold coins, and I recommend that this be done. The entire seigniorage or profit arising from the manufacture of such coins would then go directly into the Treasury. Of course, the ultimate result to the Treasury would be the same as under the present arrangement, but the system would be a better one.

I am enclosing herewith a statement of the cost of the minor coinage distribution paid from minor coinage profits for a period of years, and also a draft of a paragraph to be inserted in the Sundry Civil Bill immediately following the paragraph carrying the appropriation for contingent expenses, independent treasury.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Memorandum for Assistant Secretary Feiley:

John J. O'Donnell was employed as an assistant to the weigh clerk in the New York Assay Office. This is the receiving department of the Institution where bullion is accepted from the public, weighed and receipted for. Everybody in this office, from the weigh clerk himself down, handles more or less bullion. O'Donnell claims that as he was carried on the rolls as a clerk he should not be asked to handle bullion, and insolently declared that he intended to stand on his rights. The weigh clerk insists that he cannot use anyone who will refuse to handle bullion. O'Donnell is one of the type of individuals in the government service always making trouble about their "rights" and depending upon outside pull to sustain them. His case has been up repeatedly and the Superintendent and weigh clerk of the New York Office earnestly protest against his being forced upon them. His reinstatement would be most demoralizing to the discipline of the institution.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington, September 24, 1912.

TO Hon. Franklin MacVeagh

Dublin, New Hampshire.

Goldman sachs and Company and all other will be accommodated with advances upon gold deposits as usual.

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1913.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

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STOCK FORM 13.
DIV. S., P., AND B.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT
The United States
Assay Office at New York
New York, N. Y.

September 24, 1912.

Director of the Mint,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I hereby nominate, from Certificate No. 917 furnished me by the Civil Service Commission, ISIDOR KAUFMAN to be a clerk at a salary of $1000 per annum, effective October 1, 1912, and trust you will confirm my action in the matter.

Respectfully,

(Signed) Dan'l P. Kingsford
Superintendent.

Bureau of the Mint,
September 25, 1912.

Respectfully referred to the Secretary of the Treasury, Division of Appointments, with approval and request for favorable action.

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Mr. Kingsford was misled by a notice from the Secretary's Office calling upon him to turn in all his balances pending the approval of his new bond into giving notice that no advances upon gold deposits could be made during the last three days of the month, as he calculated that he must close up all deposits completely before the close of the month. This is unnecessary and he has been so advised and instructed to inform the public.

Respectfully,

H.E.A.

September 25, 1912.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Yours of the 23rd is at hand. I have given instructions for starting up the San Francisco refinery, and I am confident that we will experience no embarrassment about it.

Mr. Leach writes me that Mr. Kearney will be satisfied to be promoted to the position of Superintendent of the Coining Department on January 1st, and I now understand that you approve of this disposition of the case. Senator Perkins is satisfied, and Mr. Knowland cannot complain if Mr. Kearney is satisfied. The latter will receive precisely the same pay for the year that the men in the same position in the other mints receive. In the estimates I have reduced the salary of this position to $2,500.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Hon. Franklin MacVeagh
Secretary of the Treasury.

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September 26, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

Request is made by the Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco for the reinstatement of Lena Noonan a legal resident of the State of California, to the position of selector, now vacant, at a salary of $2,50 per diem in the Mint at San Francisco, for which a certificate of eligibles has not been requested. Miss Noonan was, without delinquincy or misconduct on her part, separated by being dropped from the rolls on account of absence in excess of the time allowed, due to lack of work, from the position of Selector in the San Francisco Mint.

The request for the reinstatement of Miss Noonan is approved by this Office and referred to you for favorable action.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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September 26, 1912.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I am enclosing herewith a communication signed by the principal officers of the Philadelphia Mint in behalf of Joseph Murphy, cashier, who has been absent from duty more than the time allowed by the regulations or the law. As I understand it, all you can do for Mr. Murphy is to grant him an extension of his annual leave for thirty days on account of sickness, waiving the regulation which restricts sick leave to ten days. I strongly recommend that this be granted and have instructed the Superintendent to have Mr. Murphy's formal application submitted in the usual manner.

I am sorry no way exists to pay Mr. Murphy's salary during his entire illness. The Government is at no loss because of his absence as his assistants are carrying on his work and, as stated in the letter, his bond remains in effect. No banking institution or commercial house would deprive an employee of Mr. Murphy's long service and standing of his salary at a time when he was undergoing such affliction.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Hon. Franklin MacVeagh,
Secretary of the Treasury.

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The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

Replying to the inquiry of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, dated September 20th, 1912, as to action in the case of J. W. Cobbey of the United States Mint at Denver, Colorado, against whom charges of political activity had been made, I beg to say that the Superintendent of the Mint at Denver was instructed to reprimand Mr. Cobbey and to require him to retire from service upon any political committee, and to refrain from political activity. The Superintendent of the Mint, under date of September 4, 1912, reports upon the case as follows:-

"I would say that I have taken this matter up with Mr. Cobbey, and, in accordance with the concluding paragraph of the letter of the Commission, have reprimanded Mr. Cobbey and have warned him to refrain from political activity in the future. He advises me that he has resigned from the political committee of which he was a member, that his resignation has been accepted and his successor appointed. He also expresses regret for his action in the premises.

I desire to say in connection with this matter that all circulars both from the Department and from the Commission warning against political activity on the part of Civil Service employees has been posted on the bulletin board at this institution and the attention of all employees has been called to the same through the heads of the several departments in the mint. I would say further, that no other employee here in the classified service has given offence in this regard during the ten years I have been at the head of this institution. So far as I know, Mr. Cobbey is the only one who has been a member of a political committee during that period."

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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September 27, 1912.

The Chief Clerk,

Treasury Department.

Sir:

Enclosed please find a copy of our permanent mailing list for the Report of the Director of the Mint for transmission to the Public Printer and in pursuance of the requirements of circular letter of September 13, 1912.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, October 1, 1912

The Honorable

Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

In pursuance of the provisions of section twenty-five of the act of August 27, 1894, I have the honor to present herewith a table of the estimate of the values of the standard coins of the nations of the world.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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September 30, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith a list of the employees in the following institutions of the Mint service, their present designations and rates of compensation, together with the dates of their appointments.

Mint of the United States at New Orleans.
" " " San Francisco.

Assay Office " " Salt Lake.
" " Seattle
" " " " Boise
" " " " Carson
" " " " Charlotte
" " " " Helena
" " " " New York.

There is also enclosed a table showing positions included in different schedules and subdivisions of the "Regulations Governing Appointments and Transfers in the Mint Service" to which transfer from one to another may be made without the necessity of filing form showing experience or requiring non-competitive examination.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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The Chief Clerk,

Treasury Department.

Sir:

I have to request that under the provisions of Section 8 of the act approved August 24, 1912, making appropriations for the Sundry Civil Expenses of the Government for the fiscal year 1913, the Chief Clerk of the U. S. Assay Office at New York, and the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, Denver, and San Francisco be designated by you to administer oaths required by law to accounts for travel or other duly authorized expenses. These designations will be greatly to the convenience of the service.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Oct. 1, 1912.

Hon. Franklin MacVeagh,
Dublin, N. H.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I wish to leave here about the 10th of the month for Iowa to be absent until after election. Miss Kelly is now taking her annual leave, at the end of which her resignation will take effect. With her absent there will be no one in the Bureau authorized to act in my place. I would respectfully ask that under Section 3502 R. S., you designate F. P. Dewey to so act. Mr. Dewey has been the Assayer of the Bureau for about 10 years and in my judgment is the best qualified person available for this responsibility. He is well informed upon all the operations of the Service and is just now returning from San Francisco where I sent him to effect the transfer of the Mint to the new Superintendent, Mr. Leach. His designation has nothing to do with filling Miss Kelly's place, which is not yet vacent.

I am enclosing herewith a letter of the usual form for making such designation.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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(Encl.)

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Oct. 1, 1912.

Hon. J. Hampton Moore,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 23rd ultimo, addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury, I beg to say that the Secretary is glad to go to the limit permitted by law for Mr. Murphy's relief but the law does not allow of an extension of annual leave on account of sickness of more than 30 days. This has been granted in Mr. Murphy's case.

Respectfully,

Acting Secretary.

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Oct. 4, 1912.

Hon. Franklin MacVeagh,
Dublin, N. H.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Mr. Forster has today advised me by wire that the President finds it necessary to be absent from Beverly tomorrow and I have accordingly advised Mr. Fraser of the cancellation of his engagement. If you can make another one for a later date please advise me.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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October 4, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith the oath of Clyde A. Taylor, a helper in the Mint at Philadelphia whose compensation has been increased from three dollars to three dollars and a quarter per diem.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Oct. 5, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I am submitting herewith the revised estimates for the Mint Service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1914. The total sum asked for is $1,222,370, which, compared with the total of appropriations for the current year, $1,229,020, shows a net reduction of $6,650. The only office for which important increases are shown is the Assay Office at New York and these are absolutely necessary to properly provide for the increasing volume of transactions at that institution.

The estimates for the mints contemplate a moderate amount of gold coinage at all of them and in view of the common understanding that gold coinage has been suspended perhaps some explanation should be made. The law now provides that one-third of the reserve against outstanding gold certificates may be held in gold bullion. On the first day of the present month the total amount of outstanding gold certificates was $1,057,186,169 and of the reserve against this amount $352,395,389 might be in bullion. The Treasury actually held in this reserve $177,188,697 in bullion and we might therefore have had $175,206,692 more bullion and still have been within the law, but it is not desirable to carry at all times all of the bullion which the law allows. The Treasury should always be able

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to receive $100,000,000 in gold bullion and give certificates for it without delay. In 1907 more than $100,000,000 in foreign coin and bullion was imported inside of 60 days and it is highly important in such emergencies that our bankers be able to bring gold from abroad and convert it into available funds. If the Treasury is to be able to do this it should always have a margin of approximately $100,000,000 between its actual bullion holdings and the legal limit of such holdings and it is therefore advisable that from this time on the mints shall coin a part of their gold receipts every year. The receipts last year amounted to $151,929,883 and at this rate if gold coinage is entirely suspended the limit of bullion in the Treasury will speedily be reached.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Appropriations and Estimates.

	Estimates 1914	Appropriations 1913.	Increase	Decrease
Philadelphia				
Salaries	$73,100	$73,200		$100
Wages	300,000	305,000		5,000
Contingent Ex.	65,000	70,000		5,000
San Francisco.				
Salaries	50,200	54,300		4,100
Wages	122,500	122,500		
Contingent Ex.	40,000	40,000		
Denver				
Salaries	47,200	47,200		
Wages	94,000	94,000		
Contingent Ex.	35,000	35,000		
New York				
Salaries	52,100	51,100	$1,000	
Wages	88,500	80,000	8,500	
Contingent Ex.	65,100	60,000	5,100	
Seattle				
Salaries	13,050	13,050		
Wages	22,000	22,000		
Cont. Ex.	6,500	6,500		
Deadwood				
Salaries	6,200	6,200		
Wages	3,000	3,000		
Contingent Ex.	1,500	1,500		
Helena				
Salaries	8,800	10,400		1,600
Wages	4,600	6,500		1,900
Contingent Ex.	3,000	3,250		250
New Orleans				
Salaries	8,100	10,300		2,200
Wages	7,200	7,500		300
Contingent Ex.	3,000	3,500		500
Carson				
Salaries	6,350	6,350		
Wages	5,550	6,200		650
Contingent Ex.	3,000	3,000		
Boise				
Salaries	8,050	8,050		
Wages	3,540	3,540		
Contingent Ex.	2,250	2,500		250
Salt Lake City				
Salaries	7,100	7,100		
Wages	4,500	4,500		
Contingent Ex.	3,500	3,500		
Charlotte				
Salaries	1,500	1,500		
Wages	900	900		
Contingent Ex.	600	500	$100	
Office of Director.				
Salaries	26,080	25,580	500	
Contingent Ex.	800	800		
Examinations	4,000	4,000		
Freight on Coin and Bullion	25,000	25,000		
	1,222,370	1,229,020	15,200	21,850
Net decrease				6,650

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

Mr. Burt, Chief Clerk of the U. S. Assay Office at New York, is going to Europe for a brief trip on his annual leave, expecting to return on November 5th. If the Superintendent of the office should be necessarily absent during this period on account of sickness or accident there would be no one in the office authorized to sign checks. I am submitting herewith a form to be executed by you, authorizing A. B. Wilson, Acting Chief Clerk in Mr. Burt's absence, to sign checks. If this action has your approval kindly execute same.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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(Encl.)

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Oct. 7, 1912.

Mr. Willis Fletcher Johnson,
Firleigh Hall,
New Providence, N. J.

My dear Mr. Johnson:

I have your letter of the 4th instant relative to the charges against Mr. Edward E. Sage, of the Assay Office. I understand that what you say relates to the original charges made about a year ago and do not gather that he is charged with continuing the practices complained of at that time. The Department has been advised that the mineral specimens belonging to Mr. Sage which were formerly in the Assay Office have all been removed and no information as to negotiations of this character by him within the past year has come to the Department. He has been warned not only against conducting such negotiations personally on the premises but that no correspondence of this character may be carried on upon official stationery. This seems to be as far as the Department can properly go. If Mr. Sage violates these instructions we would like to be advised of the fact.

I note with satisfaction the strong endorsement you give to Mr. Kingsford, Superintendent of the Assay Office. The Department shares your good opinion of him, believes that he is a capable official and has confidence that he will deal promptly and effectively with any violation of the regulations or other offenses against good administration that may come to his attention.

Respectfully,

Assistant Secretary.

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October 7, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Frank M. Downer, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colorado. the sum of $39,252.87 on account of the profits on the coinage of one cent pieces during the month of September, and that the Minor Coinage Account of said Mint be increased in that amount.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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October 7, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith the oaths of office of the following employees reinstated in the Mint at San Francisco September 30, 1912:

Cecil Drake, Helper.
Leon E. Jones, "
Emily Van Orden, Selector.
Frances C. White, "

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Enclosures.

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October 11, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of John H. Landis, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa., the sum of one hundred and sixty-six thousand one hundred and thirty-five dollars and six cents ($166,135.06) on account of the profits on the coinage of one cent bronze pieces during the month of September, and the increase in the minor coinage account of said mint in like amount.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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October 11, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of John H. Landis, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa., the sum of one hundred and fifty-one thousand seven hundred and eighty-six dollars and eighty-nine cents ($151,786.89) on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver during the month of September, and the increase in the bullion fund of that institution in like amount.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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MEMORANDUM

The records of national bank circulation since January 1, 1908, show an almost constant increase from month to month and show again that our figures for bank circulation have practically no significance as to the varying conditions of business and need for currency.

On the first of January, 1908, the total of national bank notes outstanding was $690,130,895 and the total has not been below these figures upon the first of any year since. The bank reserves have been up and down in the meantime, but the circulation each month, with few exceptions, has been higher than in the previous month. Seven hundred and twenty two new national banks have been organized since January 1, 1908, and the outstanding circulation has increased by $57,648,759. The capital of all the banks has increased during that time $133,642,805. It will be seen that the circulation has not expanded in the same ratio as the total of capital, but is largely due simply to the organization of new banks. The aggregate capital of all the national banks at the date of the last call, September 4, 1908, was $1,046,012,508.

There is small inducement to the individual national bank to vary its note circulation to meet the fluctuating demands for currency. If it buys bonds for the purpose of increasing its circulation it loses as much cash in acquiring the bonds as it gains in circulation, and the profit on temporary circulation is too small to be considered. If it proposes to convert other securities into Government bonds for the purpose of acquiring currency it may as well collect the proceeds of its securities in cash and stop there. In other words, while the public may be the gainer by having the banks take out more circulation

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the individual banks gain nothing and have no inducement to do so. In actual practice the great majority of the national banks do not change their circulation from year's end to year's end. The country banks are remote from the security markets and it is not convenient for them to be buying and selling Government bonds or exchanging other securities for them. They take out a given amount of circulation, most of them the full amount they are entitled to, and keep it out continually with no thought of variation. Some of the city banks which are trading in Government bonds or are able to borrow them conveniently vary their circulation but the record shows that in the aggregate the variations are small. It does not pay ordinarily to withdraw capital from other uses for temporary investment in Government bonds in order to temporarily increase circulation. The system is rigid and unresponsive.

H.E.R.

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October 14, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of State.

Sir:

Responding to your letter of the 11th instant I have the honor to advise you that the Superintendent of the United States Assay Office at New York has been advised of the proposed visit by Mr. Albert L. Entwigthe, of the assay staff of the Ottawa branch of the Royal Mint, and requested to afford him full opportunity to inform himself as to the practices and equipment of that institution.

Respectfully,

Acting Secretary.

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October 15, 1912.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I am leaving to-day for Iowa to register and will vote before returning. I beg to suggest that if you still think it desirable to have Mr. Fraser lay his designs before the President you arrange another appointment for him. If you will communicate the date to the Bureau Mr. Fraser will be advised. We must push this matter along or we may not be able to issue coins during this administration.

Very truly yours,

George E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

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October 17, 1912.

The Chief Clerk,

Treasury Department.

Sir:

I beg to submit the following statement relative to the purchase of typewriters for the Mint Service during the fiscal year 1912:-

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia:-

Method of Purchase, Annual Contract (Treasury Dept)

(1) Make of Machine and Price - L. C. Smith, $72.

Assay Office of the United States at New York.

Method of Purchase, Annual Contract (Treasury Dept)

(2) Make of Machines and Price, L. C. Smith, $72 each.

Number purchased during the year three (3).

Approximate estimated number for 1913 3.

Respectfully,

R. D. Sears

Acting Director of the Mint.

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The Honorable
The Secrwtary of the Treasury.

Sir:

The assay laboratory of this Bureau is in need of 100 lbs. of finely ground litharge practically free from silver for use as an assay reagent. In a letter to the Chief Clerk dated March 15th, 1912, we specified the need of this reagent, but it is not listed in the printed schedules of the General Supply Committee. The only form of litharge on the printed schedules is a pharmaceutical preparation, item 4245, plumbi oxidum, at 16¢ per 500 grams.

Item 4245 has no specification as to the silver contents of the litharge and this is of the utmost importance for our work. Formerly we purchased this material on bids according to specification accompanied by samples, from various dealers. The samples were assayed in the laboratory for silver and the material supplied by the successful bidder was assayed for silver before accepting the delivery. The cost was from 8 to 10 cents per lb.

Under the circumstances I would request authority to purchase 100 lbs. of litharge practically free from silver in the same manner as formerly.

Respectfully,

R. D. Murray

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 21, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Frank A. Leach, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Cal., the sum of $2,700 on account of the profits on the coinage of one cent pieces, and the increase in the minor coinage account of that mint in like amount.

Respectfully,

F. D. Emery.

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Oct. 21, 1912.

The Chief Clerk

Treasury Department.

Sir:

In compliance with The Acting Secretary's letter of the 18th instant, I am forwarding herewith form #11 of The President's Commission on Economy and Efficiency, regarding supplies, amended to disclose such information as is available.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 25, 1912.

The Chief Clerk,

Treasury Department.

Sir:

I would direct your attention to the fact that repair operations now going on in the ajoining room have dislodged the plaster under the sink in room 463.

Respectfully,

A. D. Drury,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 30, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Frank M. Downer, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, the sum of ninety thousand dollars ($90,000) on account of the profits on the coinage of minor coin, and that the Minor Coinage Account of that Mint be increased in that amount.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 31, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

By the laws of the States in which the respective mints and assay offices of the United States are located election day is a State holiday when all business institutions are closed.

I have the honor to recommend that you will authorize that the mints and assay offices of the United States be closed on Tuesday, November 5, 1912, as far as public business will permit.

Respectfully,

F. P. Dewey.

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Oct. 31, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have to advise that through an oversight of the regulations for prompt rendition of accounts the Assayer in Charge of the Charlotte Assay Office is six days delinquent in transmitting his disbursing and bullion accounts for the quarter ending September 30, 1912. They were forwarded on October 26th and received here the 28th.

The Assayer's attention has been called to the regulations and as his explanation of the delinquency appears to be a reasonable one it is recommended that the delinquency be waived.

Respectfully,

A. Deury.

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 31, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt, by reference from you, of a letter from the Chief Clerk, White House, enclosing a communication from Mr. F. C. Gentner in behalf of Charles R. Gentner, relative to his reinstatement in the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, or his appointment in one of the Departments in Washington, and in reply I regret to advise you that there is no vacancy in the Mint at Philadelphia at the present time to which Mr. Gentner could be appointed. Mr. Gentner was furloughed from the Mint at Philadelphia on March 3, 1910, on account of lack of work.

Respectfully,

J. P. Drury

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 1, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt, by reference from you, of a letter from the Chief Clerk, White House, enclosing a communication from Mr. F. C. Gentner in behalf of Mr. Charles R. Gentner, relative to his reinstatement in the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, or his appointment in one of the Departments at Washington.

In reply I beg to state that the records in regard to Mr. Gentner have been recently re-examined. It appears that Mr. Gentner is suffering from a disability which causes such lameness as to incapacitate him for active labor, and, therefore, there would be no position in the Mint Service open to him except that of watchman. There is no prospect of there being a vacancy in the near future in the Philadelphia Mint in that position. There are, also, more than 100 furloughed employees who are eligible for reinstatement in that institution. The claims of some of these should be considered when a vacancy occurs in the watch force. It would not, therefore, be feasible at this time to promise Mr. Gentner an appointment to such a vacancy.

Early this year there was considerable correspondence in regard to the reinstatement of Mr. Gentner in the Mint Service, with the understanding that he would be immediately transferred to the Interior Department as a watchman. During this correspondence the Civil Service Commission consented to

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allow this transaction. If there were any prospect of Mr. Gentner being thus transferred there is no objection to his temporary reinstatement in the Philadelphia Mint for the purpose of transfer, but such a reinstatement could not in any way be construed as for the purpose of regular employment in that institution.

Respectfully,

F. E. Drury

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 4, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Frank A. Leach, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, the sum of six thousand dollars on account of the profits on the coinage of one-cent pieces during the month of October, and the increase of the Minor Coin Account of that Institution in like amount.

Respectfully,

F. O. Dewey,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 4, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose herewith the recommendation of the Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco for the reinstatement of Thomas B. O'Neill, helper, at $4.00 per diem. Mr. O'Neill was dropped from the rolls, on account of excess absence, on September 23, 1912, but without delinquincy or misconduct on his part, -his excess absence being due to lack of work. The recommendation of the Superintendent at San Francisco is approved and respectfully forwarded for favorable action.

Respectfully,

J. A. Drum,
Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosures.

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November 6, 1912.

The Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

In compliance with your request of the 5th instant I forward herewith the name and address of the official of this Bureau holding a Presidential commission, together with the names of the adult members of his immediate family:-

Hon. George E. Roberts and Mrs. Roberts.
Miss Amy Roberts.
Mr. Bassett Roberts.
Miss Kirkup.

Residence, The Ontario.

Respectfully,

F. O. Dewey.
Acting Director of the Mint.

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Nov. 6, 1912.

To the

Chief Clerk.

Sir:

None of the employees under this Bureau are engaged on the class of work mentioned by the Assistand and Chief Clerk, War Department, in his letter of the 18th ultimo.

The few employees under this Bureau having designations similar to those mentioned in the list accompanying the letter are "general" or "all-around" men and it is believed that their compensation would not be of value in arriving at the amount to be paid employees of a large plant where the various trades will be subdivided into classes.

Respectfully,

F. B. Drury.

F Acting Director of the Mint.

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Nov. 8, 1912.

To the

Chief Clerk.

Sir:

Herewith find statement of travel performed by officers and employees of the Treasury Department during the fiscal year 1912 whose expenses were paid from appropriations in charge of the Mint Bureau.

Respectfully,

F. O. Bunn,

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Acting Director of the Mint.

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Statement of travel performed by officers and employees of the Treasury Department during the fiscal year 1912, whose expenses were paid from appropriations in charge of the Bureau of the Mint.

Name.	Date.	Destination and business.	Amount
	July 20-22, 1911		

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Name.	Date.	Destination and business.	Amount
R. J. Hilleges, Clerk, Mint Bureau.	July 1, 1911	Washington, D.C. to New Orleans, Part cost of annual settlement.	3.75
M. M. O'Reilly, Clerk, Mint Bureau.	July 1-4, 1911	Washington, D.C. to Denver, Part cost of annual settlement.	23.41
R. G. Hand, Clerk, Treasurer's Office.	July 1-4, 1911	Do	23.25
Do.....	July 25-29, 1911	Washington, D.C. to Philadelphia, Mint accounts.	21.80
A. A. Hassan, Clerk, Mint Bureau.	Dec. 15, 1911	Washington, D.C. to Philadelphia, Opening silver vault.	7.15
Do.....	June 11-30, 1912	Do - Part cost of annual settlement.	93.13
W. C. Platt, Clerk, Auditor for War.	May 25-June 30, 1912	Washington, D.C. to San Francisco, Part cost of annual settlement.	254.49
J. W. Sheetz, Private Secretary, Mint Bureau.	June 7-30, 1912	Washington, D.C. to Denver, Part cost of annual settlement.	179.35
J. D. Rowen, Clerk, Auditor for War.	May 25-June 30, 1912.	Washington, D.C. to Denver, Part cost of annual settlement.	169.40
L. T. Zbinden, Clerk, Auditor for Treasury.	June 11-30, 1912	Washington, D.C. to Philadelphia, Part cost of annual settlement.	97.99
		Total.- - - - - - - - - - -	$2,140.79

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November 12, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury in the name of Frank M. Downer, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colorado, the sum of $32,820.44 on account of the profits on the coinage of five-cent pieces, and that the Minor Coinage Account of said Mint be increased in that amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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November 13, 1912.

The Chief Clerk,

Treasury Department.

Sir:

In accordance with the instructions contained in the letter of Assistant Secretary Bailey, dated August 21, 1912, I am transmitting herewith answers to interrogatories relative to the archives of federal buildings as called for by Executive Order No. 1567, July 19, 1912.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Nov. 14, 1912.

Mr. Carmi A. Thompson,
Secretary to the President,
The White House.

My dear Mr. Thompson:

Referring to your letter enclosing note from Mr. Ira E. Bennett recommending Mr. Robert A. Roos as a member of the Annual Assay Commission I beg to say that there is no reason why Mr. Roos may not be appointed and in pursuance with the President's wish his name will be duly submitted when the Commission in made up, which will be soon after January 1, 1913.

Respectfully,

Secretary.

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Nov. 16, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is requested that the balance of an appropriation entitled "Salaries, Wages and Contingent Expenses, Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah", made by Act of Congress approved May 30, 1908, be covered into the Surplus Fund of the Treasury. The purposes of the appropriation have been fully met and there are no known outstanding obligations against same.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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November 18, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of John H. Landis, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa., the sum of one hundred and fifty-one thousand seven hundred and forty-three dollars and ninety-two cents ($151,743.92) on account of the profits on the coinage of one cent bronze pieces, and that the minor coinage account of said mint be increased in like amount.

Respectfully,

R. Drury,
Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 18, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury in the name of John H. Landis, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, the sum of $6,258.54 on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver, and that the bullion fund of said mint be increased in like amount.

Respectfully,

F. D. Ewing

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 18, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to report, in accordance with section seven of the legislative, executive and judicial act of March 1, 1896, that the business of this office for the month of October, 1912, is not in arrears.

Respectfully,

F. O. Dewey,
Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 19, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Frank A. Leach, Superintendent, U. S. Mint at San Francisco, the sum of $3,900 on account of the profits on the coinage of one-cent pieces and the increase in the Minor Coinage Account in like amount for that institution.

Respectfully,

F. E. Drury

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 19, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 14th instant requesting the manufacture of a counting board and hopper for the Assistant Treasurer at St. Louis, I beg to state that the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia reported under date of November 18th that the counting board and hopper, together with the balance of your order of February 26th will be ready for shipment in about three weeks.

Respectfully,

J. C. Dewey.

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 19, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Outline of Organization for each of the Institutions in the Mint Service, together with a list of the Bureau of the Mint, in accordance with your letter of October 4, 1912.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 19, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith "Outline of Organization" for each of the institutions in the Mint Service, together with that of the Bureau of the Mint, in accordance with your letter of October 1, 1912.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Nov. 22, 1912.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. BAILEY:

The statute governing the manufacture of medals at the Mint reads as follows:

SEC. 3551. Dies of a national character may be executed by the engraver, and national and other medals struck by the coiner of the mint at Philadelphia, under such regulations as the superintendent, with the approval of the Director of the Mint, may prescribe. Such work shall not, however, interfere with the regular coinage operations, and no private medal dies shall be prepared at any mint, or the machinery or apparatus thereof be used for that purpose.

The Mint makes no medals except of an official or public and semi-official character. I can think of none of the latter made recently except medals for the Red Cross Society. We have made no dies for the Red Cross but have struck medals for them. Practically all our medal work is for the Army and Navy Departments. We impose charges sufficient to fully cover the cost of labor and material in such cases and it is advantageous to the Government to have this work done at the Mint rather than by outside concerns.

The change in the appropriation bill allowing us to pay for enameling medals and for medal cases is simply for convenience. In instances where medals must be enameled we are obliged to have the work done outside of the Mint and where medal cases must be furnished we must buy them outside. The Comptroller has ruled that we cannot pay for them out of any fund under our control and we are obliged to have the parties furnishing such supplies and rendering

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such services forward their bills to the Mint where they are examined, O.K.'d and then forwarded to the Department for which the work is done for payment. It would be simpler if we could pay for this work and include it in one complete bill and it would expedite settlement with the parties doing the work.

The provision for an Annual Assay Commission is found in Section 3547 of the Revised Statutes. This statute provides that the Judge of the District Court of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, the Comptroller of the Currency, the Assayer of the Assay Office at New York, and such other persons as the President shall from time to time designate, shall meet as Assay Commissioners at the Mint in Philadelphia on the second Wednesday of February, annually, to examine the coins reserved at each mint according to law during the previous calcundar year. There is no statutory provision for compensation to these commissioners but the Contingent Expenses of the Philadelphia Mint has always until this year included an authorization to cover their actual expenses. It has escaped my attention until now that this provision was not made in the appropriation bill for the current year. I do not see how the President can invite service upon this commission without a provision for the payment of expenses and I hope the usual authorization for the next meeting of the commission will be provided in the Urgency Deficiency Bill, also that the usual authorization will be included in the paragraph under consideration.

The Mint at Philadelphia has a collection of coins and medals which has been slowly built up by the efforts of the Mint officials and the aid of a small annual appropriation for purchases.

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The authorization each year for many years until 1913 has been for $500. Last year an effort was made to increase it to $1,000. with the result that the item was left out altogether. We have asked for $1,000. for the fiscal year 1914. We are specializing in coins of the Western Hemisphere and have the best collection of coins of North and South America in existence. The effort is well worth maintaining and I hope a small appropriation to this end will be made available.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint

s.

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Nov. 22, 1912.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. BAILEY:

Some two years ago this Bureau had some correspondence with one Joseph Haas, an inmate of the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, relative to a secret process for refining gold. Finally some details of his method were confided by him to Doctor Wiley, of the Department of Agriculture, and it was decided that the method would not be a commercial success. The subject was dropped.

Geo E Roberts

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Nov. 23, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury

Sir:

This Bureau begs to acknowledge receipt of the letter from the Civil Service Commission, dated Nov. 19, 1912, stating that Fred W. Frewing, nominated by the Superintendent of the Mint at Denver for reinstatement to the position of Helper in that institution, is ineligible to reinstatement for the reason that more than 3 years have elapsed since the date of his furlough.

Pursuant to the request filed by the Superintendent of the Mint I beg to recommend that the Civil Service Commission supply an eligible list from which a selection for the position of Helper may be made.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

s.

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Nov. 23, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I am forwarding herewith with my approval a letter from the Superintendent of the United States Assay Office at New York relative to the case of George J. Bunce, an employe of that office who was separated from the Service in January, 1911, on account of a serious illness which made it impossible for him to return to his duties until he had been absent more than a year. This case possesses some unusual features to which I beg to call your attention.

Mr. Bunce had been an employe of the Assay Office for nearly 40 years; for nearly all of this time he was a gold melter, his work being to convert refined gold into merchant bars. He handled hundreds of millions of dollars and discharged the duties of his position faithfully until by reason of his advanced age he was transferred to less arduous work.

His wife was first taken ill and her long sickness wore upon him and drew upon his financial resources until he was obliged to sell their home and under the anxieties of the situation became ill himself. When the period of one year of absence had elapsed the Superintendent recommended that he be furloughed but the Civil Service Commission held that he would have to be dropped from the rolls. The records of this Bureau show an entry January 16, 1911 of "Furlough", corrected later to "Separation". Since then he has recovered his health to such an extent that he is capable of performing the duties of a day watchman and the Superintendent is very desirous of reinstating him in this position, which is the one held at the time he was dropped from the rolls. The duties of the place are light and it seems highly desirable, not only as an act of justice to a worthy old employe, but for its effect upon the workmen still in the Service that he be allowed the opportunity to earn a living in the office where he has served so long instead of being obliged to depend upon charity.

I earnestly urge that the case be laid before the Civil Service Commission with the request that they consider whether its action refusing a furlough to Mr. Bunce may not be reconsidered or his reinstatement granted upon some other grounds consistent with the good of the Service.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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November 20, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of State.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th instant enclosing a copy of letter received from the Vice Consul General in Charge at Vancouver, B. C., relative to the removal of charges upon gold bullion at the Dominion Assay Office at Vancouver. A copy of the letter, which will be of much interest to the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at Seattle, has been forwarded to that officer.

Respectfully,

Franklin McVeagh

Secretary.

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November 29, 1912.

The Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

In reply to circular letter dated November 11, 1912, requesting a schedule of authorizations of Congress for the undertaking of projects, construction, or other work under which obligations have been incurred, I beg to state that no projects as contemplated by this inquiry have been authorized by Congress for execution by the Mint Bureau.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Nov. 29, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request your approval for cancellation as to item for "Quarter Slides S-20, 9¢ each" of contract with the Denver Sewer Pipe and Clay Co. for the current fiscal year.

It appears from the report of the Superintendent of the Denver Mint recommedning the above action, in which recommendation I concur, that the product of the contractor fails to stand up under the high heat of the Mint melting furnaces - this without fault of the contractor.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

F

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Thomas Allen

Assistant Secretary.

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,November 30,1912.

The Honorable
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

Replying to your letter dated November 5, 1912, asking for replies to certain inquiries made by the Committee upon Economy and Efficiency, I beg leave to submit the following:-

I. Changes in law pertaining to organization:

1.- What changes in law relating to the organization of your Department or establishment do you thing desirable?

Ans.- An important change in the mint organization was accomplished in the act making appropriations for the legislative, judicial and executive expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1913. No further changes in organization are desired.

2.- What further legal provisions, if any, should be enacted for the benefit of the bureau, offices, or other subdivision for the work of which you are responsible?

Ans.- Section 3524, R.S., which governs the charges levied upon bullion for certain services should be revised, to give the Secretary of the Treasury authority to fix charges in his discretion with a view to making these services on the whole self-sustaining, but with a uniform scale of charges at all offices. The charges for refining bullion, for instance, should be the same at all government refineries, but the cost will vary with the amount of bullion treated.

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3.- What changes in law pertaining to the personnel of the service do you think desirable, and particularly in relation to -

a. Unclassified civil service.
b. The present classification of the civil service.
c. Examination of applicants.
d. The making of appointments.
e. Discipline of employees.
f. Fidelity of employees.
g. Promoting individual efficiency.
h. The making of promotions.
i. Granting of transfers.
j. The making of details.
k. Salaries paid.
l. Retirement.
m. The granting of annual and sick leave.
n. Other subjects relating to personnel and working conditions.

Ans.- The mint service is now almost entirely in the classified service. Superintendents of mints, the chief assayer at each mint and the engraver are appointed by the President and are not in the classified service. They should be included by law. The other subjects are, with few exceptions, within the authority of the administration.

4.- What changes in law do you think desirable pertaining to the following subjects:-

a. The central purchase of supplies.
b. Departmental contracting and purchasing.
c. Making payments on pay rolls, vouchers, claims, etc.
d. Expenditures for travel and subsistence.
e. Examination and audit of pay rolls.

Ans.-(a and b): The scheme for the central purchase of supplies undoubtedly has large possibilities, but it must be put in the hands of a more important organization, and a direct provision for its maintenance should be made on a liberal scale.

(c, d and e): No recommendations.

5.- In your opinion does the certification at present required on travel and other vouchers, known as "jurat", cause an unnecessary annoyance to the service, which should be eliminated?

Ans.- No.

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II. Changes in form of and conditions attached to appropriations:

1.- What appropriations affecting your work should be "lump sum", and what should be "detailed"?

Ans.- The division is fairly satisfactory now. Clerks and heads of departments receive fixed salaries; skilled workmen and laborers are paid from lump appropriations. While it would be advantageous in particular instances for the head of the service to have control over pay of clerks there are objections to it so long as any part of the service is subject to political influences.

2, 3, 4 and 5, with sub-divisions, answered above.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Nov.30, 1912

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to forward herewith a communication from the Superintendent of the United States Assay Office at New York recommending the reduction of Charles H. Burt, Chief Clerk, at $2,500. per annum, to the position of Clerk, at $1,250 per annum, and for the appointment of Fred H. Chaffin to be Chief Clerk at $2,500 per annum. Both of these appointments were recommended to take effect December 1st, 1912 but subsequently the date of taking effect is postponed to December 15th, 1912. Mr. Chaffin is now Cashier of the United States Mint at Denver, a position excepted from the classified service. The position of Chief Clerk in the Assay Office at New York is within the classified service but Mr. Chaffin having served previously in the classified service is eligible to reinstatement therein. He was appointed Clerk in the Internal Revenue Service for the First District of Colorado in July, 1893 and served in that capacity until January 24, 1899, at which date he was promoted to Chief Deputy Collector, which was an excepted position. He served in that capacity until June 30, 1905, at which date he was transferred to the position of Cashier in the Mint. On June 5, 1895 Mr. Chaffin was designated by the United States Civil Service Commission to be a Member and Secretary of the Board of Civil Service Examiners for the Internal Revenue District at Denver, Colorado. By letter dated August 2, 1900, signed by John R. Proctor, President, United States Civil Service Commission, Mr. Chaffin was relieved from further duty as a member of the Board of Examiners in Denver "without prejudice and with the thanks of the Commission for the services which you have rendered, it appearing that your office duties are such as to not permit of your being able to assist in the examinations". This letter goes on to say "In reply to the inquiry contained in your letter of July 24th, you are advised that the fact that you have been promoted from a non-excepted to an excepted position does not take you out of the classified service". Under date of July 11th, 1905, John C. Black, President of the Civil Service Commission, addressed a letter to Mr. Chaffin advising him that he would be eligible for retransfer to a Clerkship in the Internal Revenue Service at any time after continuous service.

It appears, therefore, that Mr. Chaffin is eligible for transfer to the position for which he is now named.

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The letter from the Superintendent of the Assay Office at New York explains the reduction of Mr. Burt. At present no other position than the one for which he is named is available for him and he has agreed to accept this one.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

s.

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Nov. 30, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to recommend the appointment of Mr. Charles H. More, of Geneva, Illinois, to the position of Cashier of the United States Mint at Denver, Colorado, to fill the vacancy about to be created by the transfer of the present Cashier, Fred H. Chaffin, to the position of Chief Clerk of the United States Assay Office at New York.

The position of Cashier is excepted from the classified service.

Mr. More entered the Mint Service originally on October 2, 1899 as Cashier of the United States Mint at New Orleans. He held this position until February 4, 1903, when he was transferred to the position of Cashier of the United States Assay Office at New York, which he held until June 1, 1909, when he voluntarily resigned. He discharged the duties of both positions with entire satisfaction and is the most experienced and capable man now in sight for appointment to the Cashiership of the Denver Mint. He has expressed his desire to return to the Service. A letter from the Superintendent of the Denver Mint, stating that the appointment of Mr. More will be acceptable to him, accompanies this letter.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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December 2, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to report, in accordance with section seven of the legislative, executive and judicial act of March 1, 1896, that the business of this office for the month of November, 1912, is not in arrears.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Dec. 3, 1912.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Under the Aldrich-Vreeland Act any national banking association which has circulating notes outstanding secured by the deposit of United States bonds to an amount of not less than 40 percentum of its capital stock and which has a surplus of not less than 20 percentum may make application for authority to issue additional circulating notes to be secured by a deposit of state, county, municipal or district bonds.

Such applications, it should be observed, may be made by any national banking association whether a member of a currency association or not and are made directly to the Comptroller of the Currency, the machinery of the currency association not being used at all.

These notes are taxed at the rate of 5 percentum per annum for the first month "and afterwards an additional tax of 1 per centum per annum for each month until a tax of 10 percentum per annum is reached, and thereafter such tax of 10 percentum per annum upon the average amount of such notes".

This is the only class of security other than Government bonds upon which circulating notes may be issued without the intervention of currency associations. In order to utilize other securities the individual banks must apply through the currency association to which they belong.

In considering the relative advantages of Treasury deposits and currency issues under the Aldrich-Vreeland Act it should be remembered that the latter are not good in legal reserves and are serviceable only where currency payments or shipments are to be made. If such issues had been made several weeks ago when there was a strong shipping demand from the central reserve cities to the interior they could have been used to protect the legal reserves of the shipping banks, but if the shipping movement is over and the borrowing pressure is simply for credit it is difficult to see how currency issues would help the situation materially. Currency issues enable a bank to convert its book credits into circulating notes but they do not broaden the basis for credit.

While for some reasons it would be desirable to give a demonstration of the utility of the Aldrich-Vreeland Act it seems

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to me that so important a step should not be made to take the bankers of the country by surprise. It would certainly cause a good deal of comment and I should think the judgment of important banking centers upon its advisability should first be taken.

Eighteen currency associations are organized, to wit: For Washington, D. C.; City of New York; Philadelphia; State of Louisiana; City of Boston; State of Georgia; City of Chicago; St. Louis; St. Paul and Minneapolis; Detroit; Albany and adjoining towns; Kansas City and St. Joseph; Baltimore; Cincinnati; Dallas, Texas; State of Alabama; Cities of Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo; City of Los Angeles.

Director of the Mint.

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December 4, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that the bullion fund of the Assay Office of the United States at Seattle, Washington, be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ($100,000) dollars by a transfer of that amount in gold coin from the Mint at Denver; shipment to be made by American Express to the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Seattle; to be authorized by wire, and to be in the following denominations:-

Double Eagles ----------	$75,000	
Half Eagles ----------	25,000	$100,000

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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December 6, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I beg to call your attention to the following items in the pending legislative bill as reported to the House of Representatives on December 4, 1912:

Office of the Director of the Mint.

The estimate for freight on bullion and coin between mints and assay offices as submitted by the Department was $25,000. The bill carries $10,000. This reduction was probably made upon the theory that several of the assay offices were to be adolished, but the bill contemplates the continuance of the assay offices at New York, New Orleans, Deadwood and Seattle, and the express charges on coin and bullion between these offices and the mints for the last fiscal year aggregated $20,989.98. It is evident, therefore, that an appropriation of $10,000 is inadequate. The Department has no control over these expenditures; it must buy all bullion presented at the assay offices, and it must transport this bullion to the mints. The total expenditures from this appropriation for all offices during the last fiscal year was $26,577.74, with one small bill yet to come. The Department's estimate for the ensuing year was scant and the appropriation should be raised to not less than $20,000.

For the Examination of Mints, the Collection of Statistics, etc., the Department estimate was $4,000 and the amount carried by the bill is $3,000. The actual expenditure from this appropriation for the last fiscal year for examinations alone was $3,020.12. The law requires that the Bureau shall make at least one full settlement with each institution every year. Those institutions held at the beginning of the present month $1,176,939,881.71 of bullion and money, and their

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holdings are constantly increasing. It is necessary at an annual settlement to review all of the operations of the year. It is also highly desirable to have some margin in this appropriation in order to provide for an extraordinary investigation in case one should be required at any time. Defalcations and shortages have occurred in the past and may occur in the future, and sometimes involve extensive inquiry and considerable expenditure. The last occurred in 1905 when the cashier of the Seattle Office was found to have been stealing from depositors, was convicted and sentenced to ten years in prison. Suspicion had been aroused, but a lengthy investigation was necessary in order to secure the evidence for his exposure and conviction. In view of the enormous values which are in the custody of these institutions it is important that an adequate fund shall be available for prompt and thorough investigation when occasion exists.

Again, if the report of the Committee in favor of abolishing five assay offices is adopted some unusual expense will be incurred in making final settlement with these institutions. Representatives of the Department will have to be sent to close up their affairs and dispose of their equipment. Furthermore, it should be considered at this time, in view of the change of administration from one political party to another, that there may be changes during the next fiscal year in the heads of these institutions, and all of these changes will necessitate more complete settlements than ordinarily take place. At an annual settlement it is customary to pass all vaults the seals of which have not been broken during the year, the examining committee accepting the contents as certified by the committee making the count when the vault was sealed, but when a change occurs in the responsible officers of an institution new officers coming in usually insist upon a complete count of all funds for which they must give receipts.

In view of these considerations, some of which were not present when the estimates were prepared, I would suggest that this item be increased to $5,000 instead of reduced to $3,000. The latter figure is inadequate.

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Mint at San Francisco.

The estimates for this institution called for two $2,000 clerks, as against one provided for last year, but one of these clerks is in lieu of the position of Assistant Melter and Refiner which was carried last year. There should be provision for one more clerk at $2,000. The total appropriation for salaries during the current year is $54,300; the amount asked for next year is $50,200.

New York Assay Office.

Apparently one $1600 clerk was inadvertently dropped, as the several items foot up $49,500, while the bill reads "in all, $51,100." The difference is in one clerk at $1600 asked for but omitted from the bill. The New York Assay Office is the busiest office in the service and the one most subject to extraordinary pressure. Every man asked for is sorely needed. The $1600 clerkship should be restored as that gives the office only the present number of clerks.

The estimate for wages of workmen and other employees is cut from $88,500 to $80,000, and the estimate for incidental and contingent expenses is cut from $65,100 to $60,000. The new electrolytic refinery in this institution has been opened in 1912, and this has increased the amount of work to be handled by the institution, at the same time causing some decrease at Philadelphia. The sums asked for are all required to properly conduct the business of this office which, in volume of receipts, is the most important office in the Mint Service. The entire movement of gold between the United States and the principal financial centers of Europe passes through this office, and it is always important that this business should be expeditiously handled.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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December 7, 1912.

The Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

In compliance with the request contained in your letter of the 6th instant I am enclosing herewith a copy of my recent reply to the request of the President's Commission on Economy and Efficiency for suggestions for changes in law and changes in form of and conditions attached to appropriations.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Frank M. Downer, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colorado, the sum of $25,641 on account of the profits on the coinage of five-cent nickel coins, and the increase in the Minor Coin Account of that institution.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Frank M. Downer, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colorado, the sum of $186,371.94 on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver, and that the bullion fund of said Mint be increased in that amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Dec. 7, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

Section 3547 of the Revised Statutes provides for an Annual Assay Commission, the language of the statute being as follows:

"To secure a due conformity in the gold and silver coins to their respective standards of fineness and weight, the judge of the district court for the eastern district of Pennsylvania, the Comptroller of the Currency, the assayer of the assay office at New York, and such other persons as the President shall from time to time designate, shall meet as assay commissioners at the mint in Philadelphia to examine and test, in the presence of the Director of the Mint, the fineness and weight of the coins reserved by the several mints for this purpose, on the second Wednesday in February annually, and may continue their meeting by adjournment if necessary. If a majority of the commissioners fail to attend at any time appointed for their meeting, the Director of the Mint shall call a meeting of the commissioners at such other time as he may deem convenient. If it appears by such examination and test that these coins do not differ from the standard fineness and weight by a greater quantity than is allowed by law, the trial shall be considered and reported as satisfactory. If, however, any greater deviation from the legal standard or weight appears, this fact shall be certified to the President; and if, on a view of the circumstances of the case, he shall so decide, the officers implicated in the error shall be thenceforward disqualified from holding their respective offices."

Section 3539, Revised Statutes, provides that at every delivery of coins made by the Coiner to the Superintendent of the Mint certain coins shall be taken by the Superintendent and Assayer, acting together, and placed under seal, to be opened by the Assay Commission.

This system of review was established in the first coinage

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act, approved April 2, 1792, and something similar is maintained by all other governments. It is the only check upon the work of the mints outside of themselves that is maintained by Congress or the Executive.

No compensation is given to the members of this Commission for their time or services but the annual appropriation for the contingent expenses of the Philadelphia Mint has always carried authority for the payment of the expenses of the Commission. This includes simply their traveling expenses from their homes to Philadelphia, and return over the most direct routes, and hotel expenses while in attendance upon the official sessions. Either by accident or design this authority was omitted from the appropriation for the current fiscal year. Inasmuch as the pending Legislative Bill, reported December 4th, 1912, carrying the appropriations for the fiscal year 1914, contains the usual clause granting this authority, it seems probable that it was omitted from the appropriation for the current year accidentally. Unless authority is granted for the payment of the expenses of the Commission due to meet in February, 1913, there is no certainty that a commission can be convened, or if one is appointed and the members accept, they will necessarily be obliged to pay their own expenses.

I respectfully recommend that Congress be requested to include in an urgency deficiency bill the usual authority for the payment of these expenses from the Contingent Fund of the Philadelphia Mint. This will not necessitate any increase in the appropriation as these expenses were included in the original estimate.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Mr. F. H. Chaffin,
U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

You are hereby authorized and directed to proceed to the U. S. Assay Office at New York on business connected with that institution.

While engaged in this service your necessary traveling and subsistence expenses will be paid from the appropriation for "Contingent Expenses, Assay Office at New York, 1913".

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

The Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco desires to transfer Miss Lena Noonan, a selector in that institution, to the position of telephone operator, and I have the honor to request that you will ask the U. S. Civil Service Commission to take the necessary steps for permitting this transfer.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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December 10, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 14th ultimo relative to the disposition of papers, documents, etc., I have the honor to state that there are none in the Bureau which are not needed or useful in the transaction of current business.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Dec. 10, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

Prior to the current fiscal year all expenses for the operation of the refineries in the mints were paid from the continuing appropriation from the earnings of these refineries and no annual appropriations for this purpose were made. Beginning, however, with the present fiscal year the earnings of the refineries are turned into the Treasury and their expenses must be paid from the annual appropriations.

The appropriation for the Incidental and Contingent Expenses of the Mint at San Francisco for the current year, as reported by the Committee, was in language similar to that employed for the same appropriations for the mints at Denver and Philadelphia. The paragraph for Denver reads as follows:

> "For incidental and contingent expenses, including new machinery and repairs, wastage in melting and refining department and coining department, and loss on sale of sweeps arising from the treatment of bullion and the manufacture of coin, $35,000."

On the floor of the House the paragraphs relating to the San Francisco Mint were struck out and the paragraphs of the year before were substituted, with the result that the appropriation for incidental and contingent expenses of the San Francisco Mint for the current year reads as follows:

> "For incidental and contingent expenses, including new machinery and repairs, exclusive of that required for the refinery, melter and refiners' wastage, and loss on sale of sweeps, arising from the manufacture of ingots for coinage, and for wastage and loss on sale of coiners' sweeps, $40,000."

It will be observed that this paragraph differs from the same paragraph relating to the Denver and Philadelphia mints by excepting the expenses of the refinery from its provisions. As stated, prior to the present fiscal year the expenses of none of the refineries were paid from the annual appropriations but it was intended that this year all of the refineries would be supported

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from the regular appropriations.

The result of striking out the paragraph reported by the Committee is to leave the refinery at San Francisco with no funds available for purchasing its supplies.

Up to this time the refinery has been able to run upon the stock of supplies on hand at the beginning of the fiscal year but these are nearly exhausted and unless provision is made it will be necessary to close the refinery for the remainder of the fiscal year.

I respectfully recommend that you submit a request to the Congress for the incorporation in an urgency deficiency bill of a paragraph authorizing the payment of the incidental and contingent expenses of the refinery in the San Francisco mint for the current fiscal year from the regular appropriation for incidental and contingent expenses of that institution.

No additional appropriation is required; simply authority to pay the expenses of the refinery from the appropriation already made.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I beg to recommend that the regulation governing the appointments to, and promotions and transfers in the mints and assay offices of the United States as approved by the Director of the Mint, the Secretary of the Treasury and the Civil Service Commission and promulgated April 16, 1900, be amended as follows:

By amending Paragraph 1 of Schedule A - positions excepted by the Civil Service rules -- to read as follows:

1. One Private Secretary or confidential clerk to the Superintendent in each mint and in the assay office at New York.

The effect of this amendment is to restore one cashier in each mint and in the assay office at New York to the competitive basis. I respectfully recommend that this proposal be submitted to the Civil Service Commission for its approval.

Respectfully,

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Director of the Mint.

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Dec. 10, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

In pursuance of a letter dated December 8th, signed by R. O. Bailey, Assistant Secretary, I have designated Samuel B. Frantz to represent this Bureau in the project of completing an alphabetical catalogue of articles regularly purchased or used by the Government. He has been instructed to report immediately to the Treasury Committee, Room 316.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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December 11, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of John H. Landis, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa., the sum of seventy thousand dollars ($~~70,000~~ 65,000) on account of the profits on the coinage of one-cent bronze pieces, and the increase of the Minor Coin Account of said institution in like amount.

Respectfully,

A. P. Dewey,
Acting Director of the Mint.

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December 11, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of John M. Landis, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, the sum of thirteen thousand and thirty-one dollars and three cents ($13,031.03) on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver, and the increase of the bullion fund of that institution in like amount.

Respectfully,

F. P. Dewey,
Acting Director of the Mint.

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December 11, 1912.

The Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

In reply to circular letter dated the 10th instant relative to a list of the persons in this office to be furnished with passes, I beg to state that the following are the employees of this Bureau who are required to leave the building on official business during office hours:

Eugene L. Russell.

Charles Edwards.

Respectfully,

F. O. Dewey,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Dec. 10, 1912.

Hon. Theodore E. Burton,
United States Senate.

Dear Senator:

Replying to your communication recommending Mr. Waldo S. Moore, of Lewisburg, Ohio, as a member of the Annual Assay Commission, I beg to say that Congress last year for the first time failed to grant the usual authority for the payment of the expenses of this Commission. Unless some provision is made in an urgency deficiency bill we will either have no Commission next February or the Commissioners will have to bear their own expenses. Possibly Mr. Moore would not care to serve under these conditions.

In making up the Commission it is usually the rule to give the preference to applicants who have not previously served filling up the list where practicable from applicants who have been honored before. Your letter has been placed on file for consideration with other recommendations when we have finally determined what to do about the next Commission.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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December 12, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Frank A. Leach, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, the sum of $5,000 on account of the profits on the coinage of one cent pieces, and the increase of the Minor Coin Account of that institution in like amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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December 12, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 11th instant relative to the United Surety Company I beg to state that I have no knowledge of any claim which should be filed on behalf of the Government against the assets of the said Company.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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December 14, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

On November 25th this Bureau referred to the Supervising Architect a plan submitted by the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia for the installation of a coal storage plant in that institution. The Supervising Architect in reply states that a representative of his office investigated the plan outlined and in lieu thereof recommends the installation of a coal storage space in the sidewalk, together with coal-handling apparatus similar to the scheme outlined by the Link Belt Engineering Co., which was referred to his office in May, 1911. No steps were taken at that time to carry out the proposed plan of the Link Belt Company for the reason that the available appropriation for coal vaults was insufficient to do this work. The Supervising Architect advised this Bureau under date of December 12, 1912, that the balance of the special appropriation for coal vaults is now insufficient. It appearing, therefore, that no satisfactory scheme for coal storage can be carried out with the amount of money available, I have the honor to recommend that the necessary steps be taken to procure an additional appropriation for this purpose. I would respectfully urge that if practicable an estimate be submitted to be included in the urgency deficiency bill.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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December 14, 1912.

Mr. George M. Reynolds, President,
Continental & Commercial National Bank,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Reynolds:

Your letter relative to the Deadwood Assay Office has been received and contents noted. More can be said in behalf of the Deadwood office than for most of the other assay offices but it is practically impossible to consider one by itself. So long as there are any there is constant pressure from other mining districts for the establishment of more. It is perfectly clear that the system costs more than it comes to and I have felt compelled to recommend the general policy of abolition.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

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December 14, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Frank A. Leach, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, the sum of $94,320.49 on account of the profits on the coinage of subsidiary silver, and the increase of the bullion fund of that institution in like amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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December 13, 1912.

Dear Mr. Hilles:

Responding to your note relative to the enclosed letter from Mr. Muhleman, I am enclosing herewith a memorandum in duplicate touching upon the several features which it contains.

Very sincerely yours,

Frederick McKelway

Mr. Charles D. Hilles,
Secretary to the President,
The White House.

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Dec. 16, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

Agreeable to your directions in letter of the 3rd instant I am forwarding herewith cards (six in number) covering such supplies as might be included in the schedule of the General Supply Committee for the fiscal year 1914, but which do not appear in the schedule for the current year.

Most of the supplies used by the Mint field service are of such a character as to not warrant their shipment from Washington because of economical considerations.

Respectfully,

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Director of the Mint.

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December 14, 1912.

Mr. James B. Forgan, President,
First National Bank,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Forgan:

Your letter relative to the Deadwood Assay Office has been received and contents noted. More can be said in behalf of the Deadwood office than for most of the other assay offices but it is practically impossible to consider one by itself. So long as there are any there is constant pressure from other mining districts for the establishment of more. It is perfectly clear that the system costs more than it comes to and I have felt compelled to recommend the general policy of abolition.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

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December 17, 1912.

Mr. Henry Weil,
34 East 28th Street,
New York.

Sir:

Referring to your proposal of December 12, 1912, to make the steel hubs, obverse and reverse, of the new five-cent piece from models furnished by Mr. J. E. Fraser, you are authorized to do the same at the price named, to-wit: One Hundred Dollars ($100) for each hub, or Two Hundred Dollars ($200) for both obverse and reverse. Payment for the same will be made upon your rendering an account duly certified to by Mr. Fraser.

Respectfully,

Franklin MacVeagh

Secretary.

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December 16, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that blank forms of bonds be prepared for execution by the following named employees of the U. S. Assay Office at New York in the sums indicated:-

	Position.	Date of Appointment.	Amount.
Schroeder, Diedrich H.	Clerk	Oct. 31, 1912.	$2,000
Phillips, Cornelius R.	Electrician	Oct. 1, 1911.	5,000
Heins, Wm. D.	Skilled Workman	Nov. 7, 1911.	5,000
Willemin, Alfred J.	" "	April 1, 1908.	5,000
Humphreys, John	" "	Oct. 1, 1912.	5,000
Pugh, Alden E.	" "	Oct. 1, 1912.	5,000
Cooper, Albert	Melter	June 1, 1912.	5,000
Quirk, Michael J.	"	April 1, 1912.	5,000
Kratz, John D.	"	Dec. 7, 1912.	5,000
Long, Michael	Carpenter	Oct. 21, 1912.	3,000
O'Rourke, Bryan B.	Carpenter	Oct. 21, 1912.	3,000
McKenna, Edward F.	Plumber	Oct. 22, 1912.	3,000
Morgan, Henry F.	Helper	Dec. 21, 1910.	3,000
Brown, Joseph	"	Dec. 18, 1911.	3,000
Condron, Dennis	"	June 16, 1912.	3,000
Keen, Wm. H.	"	Feb. 6, 1902.	3,000
Kesson, Wm. S.	"	Feb. 20, 1911.	3,000
Mitchell, Paul W.	"	Mar. 31, 1909.	3,000
Higgins, Michael A.	"	Nov. 16, 1912.	3,000
Chaffin, Fred. H.	Chief Clerk	Dec. 9, 1912.	10,000.
Schauweker			5,000.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Dec. 18, 1912.

Mr. J. E. Fraser,
5 MacDougal Alley,
New York City.

Sir:

You are authorized to complete and perfect the designs, obverse and reverse, heretofore submitted and now approved by the Department, for a new five cent nickel piece, and upon the completion of the same and the final acceptance of the models, and after a successful working test of the dies, you will be paid as full compensation for the same and for your incidental expenses in connection therewith the sum of $2,500. from the Contingent Fund of the Philadelphia Mint.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Franklin MacVeagh.

Secretary.

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December 19, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I beg to recommend that the regulation governing the appointments to, and promotions and transfers in the mints and assay offices of the United States as approved by the Director of the Mint, the Secretary of the Treasury and the Civil Service Commission and promulgated April 18, 1900, be amended as follows:-

By amending Paragraph 1 of Schedule A - positions excepted by the Civil Service Rules - to read as follows:-

> 1. One private secretary or confidential clerk to the Superintendent in each mint and in the assay office at New York.

The effect of this amendment is to restore one cashier in each mint and in the assay office at New York to the competitive basis. I respectfully recommend that this proposal be submitted to the President for his consideration.

Below is given a list of the incumbents of these places with a record of their service:

Augustus W. Bomberger, appointed cashier's clerk in the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, April 9, 1900; appointed assistant cashier July 1, 1911; appointed cashier of the Mint at Philadelphia December 10, 1912.

John H. Keefe, appointed cashier of the U. S. Assay Office at New York, August 4, 1910.

J. C. Bates, Jr., appointed cashier of the Mint at San Francisco, April 1, 1909.

Charles H. More, appointed cashier of the Mint at New Orleans October 2, 1899; appointed cashier, assay office at New York, February 4, 1903; resigned June 1, 1909; appointed cashier of the Mint at Denver, December 9, 1912.

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All of these men have unblemished records, and their abilities have been fully demonstrated.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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December 18, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

Serious charges having been made against the character of Thomas S. Wentworth, an employee in the mint at San Francisco, alleging that he is an habitual gambler and of disreputable character, and the Superintendent of the Mint having reported that it will be necessary to have the assistance of the Secret Service operatives in order to determine the truth or falsety of these charges, I beg to recommend that the Secret Service Bureau be requested to have one of the attaches of its San Francisco office detailed to assist the Superintendent of the Mint upon this case.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Secretary.

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December 20, 1912.

The Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I have to request that under the provisions of Section 8 of the act approved August 24, 1912, making appropriations for the Sundry Civil Expenses of the Government for the fiscal year 1913, Mr. Fred. H. Chaffin, Chief Clerk of the U. S. Assay Office at New York, be designated by you to administer oaths required by law to account for travel or other duly authorized expenses. Mr. Chaffin was appointed Chief Clerk of the New York Office on December 16, 1912, in lieu of Charles Burt, transferred to position of Clerk.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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December 20, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause blank forms of bonds to be prepared for execution by the following named employees in the Mint Service:-

Augustus W. Bomberger, cashier, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, $30,000. Mr. Bomberger was appointed to the position of cashier on December 10, 1912.

Joseph C. Bates, Jr., cashier, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, $30,000. Mr. Bates was appointed April 1, 1909.

John H. Keefe, cashier, U. S. Assay Office, New York, $30,000. Mr. Keefe was appointed August 5, 1910.

Charles H. More, cashier, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colorado, $30,000. Mr. More was appointed December 7, 1912.

Albert A. Norris, Chief Clerk, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, $20,000. Dr. Norris was appointed March 1, 1899.

Eugene D. Hawkins, Chief Clerk, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, $20,000. Mr. Hawkins was appointed March 11, 1909.

Edward F. Leech, Chief Clerk, U. S. Mint, Denver, $20,000. Mr. Leech was appointed July 11, 1891.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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December 21, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that blank form of bond be prepared in the sum of $3,000 for execution by Horace W. French, Painter in the Mint at Denver. Mr. French was appointed January 16, 1906.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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December 24, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:

In reply to circular letter of this date I have the honor to state that there are no employees of this Bureau detailed to duty from other Bureaus, and none of the members of the Mint Bureau are detailed to other departments.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint

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December 30, 1912.

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

The first floor windows of the United States Mint at Philadelphia, including the windows to the cashier's office, the melting and refining department, and other rooms where vaults are situated and where bullion is readily accesible during the working hours, are without any protection whatever. I beg to submit the recommendation that all of the windows upon the first floor should be protected by heavy grating, and that the Supervising Architect be requested to take the necessary steps to provide such protection.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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December 31, 1912.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

Referring to the enclosed letter from the Acting President of the U. S. Civil Service Commission relative to the selection of a chief clerk for the Assay Office at Boise, Idaho, from the eligible list of the 11th Civil Service District at Seattle, Washington, I beg to say that when the bill carrying the regular appropriations for the Mint Service for the fiscal year 1914 was pending in the House the appropriation for the maintenance of the Boise Assay Office was stricken out and the bill passed the House without any provision for the continuance of this office after the close of the present fiscal year. In view of this fact I strongly recommend that the Assayer in Charge of the Boise Office be permitted to continue to fill the position of chief clerk by a temporary appointment until it has been finally determined whether or not the office is to be manitained beyond the present fiscal year.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Treasurer of the
United States

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

January 3, 1912.

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The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at Philadelphia to the Treasury of the United States of the sum of $317,840 payable in gold certificates received in exchange for fine gold bars and subsidiary silver coin as follows:-

For fine gold bars ----------$315,840
For subsidiary silver coin -------- 2,000

The Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia reports that the certificates are all in good condition and of the following denominations:-

$5,000s	$10,000	(Gold notes)
1,000s	129,000	" "
100s	35,000	" "
50s	13,000	" "
20s	840	" "
	130,000	(Order Gold Certs.)

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-08—10,000 x 191.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., January 2, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Helena, Mont., ----- be increased in the sum of fifty thousand ----------dollars ($50,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge-------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, Jan. 3, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States mint at Carson, Nev., to that of the United States mint at San Francisco, Cal., of the sum of $95,231.36, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the mint at Carson, in shipment #8, dated Dec. 9, 1911 to the mint at San Francisco as follows:-

Gold,- $93,896.39

Silver,- 1,334.97

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, Jan. 3, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States assay office at Helena, Mont., to that of the United States mint at Denver, Colo., of the sum of $32,976.71, the value of bullion forwarded by the assayer in charge of the assay office at Helena, in shipment #18, dated Nov. 30, 1911 to the mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold,-	$32,387.21
Silver,-	589.50.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8818.
Ed. Mar. 8-07—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., January 4, 1912.

To the Honorable
TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood, S. D., ---be increased in the sum of five hundred thousand ----------dollars ($500,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully.

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8818.
Ed. Nov. 3-03--500.--8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., January 5, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Boise, Idaho,---------be increased in the sum of fifty thousand ---------- dollars ($50,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money---------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge---------of said institution with the Boise City National Bank, Boise, Idaho.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ba Mar, 8-09—200,—5 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,
Washington, D. C., January 5, 1912.

To the Honorable
TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($ 100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge-------- of said institution with the National Bank of the Republic, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8338.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—300.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., January 5, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood, S. D., ------ be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000 ----------), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money --------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge -------- of said institution with the First National Bank, Deadwood, S. D.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8633.
Ed. Mar. 8-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., January 5, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Charlotte, N. C.,---- be increased in the sum of twenty thousand ---------- dollars ($20,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge---------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., January 6, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at San Francisco, Cal., ------ be increased in the sum of five million ----------dollars ($ 5,000,000---------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin --------- , and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent -------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully.

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Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE,
Form No. [illegible].
Ed. Nov. [illegible]—500.—S & 101.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., January 8, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Denver, Colorado,----------be increased in the sum of five million ----------dollars ($5,000,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ---------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 9, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Deadwood, South Dakota, to that of the United States Mint at Denver, Colorado, of the sum of $241,989.88, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Deadwood in shipment No. 17, dated December 8, 1911, to the Mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold ----------	$238,821.98
Silver ---------	3,167.90

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

AAH.

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January 9, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Seattle, Washington, to that of the Mint at Denver, of the sum of $132,438.89, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Seattle, in shipment No. 12, dated December 8, 1911, to the Mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold ----------	$131,842.13
Silver ----------	596.76

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

AAH.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, Jan. 10, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States mint at Carson, Nevada, to that of the United States mint at San Francisco, Cal., of the sum of $61,611.47, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Mint at Carson, in shipment #9, dated Dec. 29, 1911, to the mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold,-	$60,899.81
Silver,-	711.66

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, Jan. 10, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States assay office at Helena, Mont., to that of the United States mint at Denver, Colo., of the sum of $74,826.63, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Helena, in shipment #19, dated Dec. 16, 1911, to the mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold,-	$73,792.90
Silver,-	1,033.73

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE,
Form No. 3888.
Ed. Mar. 1-09—300.—S. 101.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., January 12, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at New York----------be increased in the sum of five million ---------- dollars ($ 5,000,000 ---------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ---------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8882.
Ed. Mar. 2-Q-500.—3 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., January 12, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Pa., ---------- be increased in the sum of one million dollars ---------- dollars ($1,000,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ---------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8888.
Ed. Mar. 08—300—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,
Washington, D. C., January 12, 1912.

To the Honorable
TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Seattle, Washington---be increased in the sum of five hundred thousand ----------dollars ($500,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin --------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge --------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. [illegible]
Ed. Mar. [illegible]

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,
Washington, D. C., January 12, 1912.

To the Honorable
TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Carson, Nevada, ---------- be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand dollars ----Dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge-------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at San Francisco. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

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Director of the Mint.

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, Jan. 16, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States assay office at Helena, Mont., to that of the United States mint at Denver, Colo., of the sum of $68,650.88, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Helena, in shipment No. 20, dated Dec. 30, 1911, to the mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold,-	$67,385.20
Silver,-	1,265.68

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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, Jan. 16, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States assay office at Salt Lake City, Utah to that of the United States mint at Denver, Colo., of the sum of $73,922.27, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Salt Lake City, in shipment No. 7, dated Dec. 29, 1911 to the mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold,-	$72,404.08
Silver,-	1,518.19

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., January 17, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood, S. D., -----be increased in the sum of five hundred thousand ----------dollars ($ 500,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge-------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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, Jan. 17, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States assay office at Deadwood, South Dak., to that of the United States mint at Denver, Colo., of the sum of $187,829.93, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Deadwood in shipment No. 18, dated Dec. 20, 1911, to the mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold,- $183,199.36

Silver,- 4,630.57.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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, Jan. 17, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States assay office at Deadwood, South Dak., to that of the United States mint at Denver, Colo., of the sum of $224,694.46, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Deadwood in shipment No. 19, dated Dec. 30, 1911 to the mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold,- $221,602.89

Silver,- 3,091.57.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 19, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at New York to that of the Mint at Philadelphia of the sum of $813.16, the same beong the value of gold and silver contained in sweeps grain bar recovered from Melter & Refiner's sweeps received from the New York Assay Office as follows:-

Gold	$798.68	
Silver	14.48	$813.16

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, Jan. 20, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States assay office at Deadwood, South Dak., to that of the United States mint at Denver, Colo., of the sum of $259,675.06, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Deadwood, in shipment #20, dated Jan. 9, 1912 to the mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold,-	$256,461.25
Silver,-	3,213.81

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, Jan. 20, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States assay office at Charlotte, N.C., to that of the assay office of the United States at New York, N.Y., of the sum of $13,564.18, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Charlotte in shipment #6, dated Dec. 30, 1911 to the assay office at New York as follows:

Gold,-	$13,495.91
Silver,-	68.27

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Jan. 20, 1912.

The Treasurer

of the United States.

My dear Mr. McClung:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 13th instant in which you submit an estimate of the amount of subsidiary silver coin which will be required to meet the next holiday demand. We will endeavor to prepare ourselves to meet these requirements.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint

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RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, Jan. 23, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States assay office at Boise, Idaho, to that of the United States mint at Denver, Colo., of the sum of $73,789.82, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Boise, in shipment #10, dated Dec. 14, 1911 to the mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold,- $72,534.53

Silver,- 1,255.29.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE,
Form No. [illegible]
Ed. Mar. [illegible]

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., January 24, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Boise, Idaho ---------- be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($ 100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ---------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge -------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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, Jan. 29, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States assay office at Helena, Mont., to that of the United States mint at Denver, Colo., of the sum of $57,928.63, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Helena in shipment #21., dated Jan. 13, 1911 to the mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold,-	$56,663.62
Silver,-	1,265.01.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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, Jan. 30, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the assay office at Helena, Mont., to that of the United States mint at Denver, Colo., of the sum of $34,000.91, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Helena, in shipment #23, dated Jan'y. 30, 1912 to the mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold,-	$33,736.78
Silver,-	264.13

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, Jan. 30, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the assay office at Seattle, Wash'n., to that of the United States mint at Denver, Colo., of the sum of $275,147.82, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Seattle, in shipment #13, dated Jan'y. 6, 1912 to the mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold,-	$273,800.06
Silver,-	1,347.76

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, Jan. 31, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States assay office at Salt Lake City, Utah to that of the United States mint at Denver, Colo., of the sum of $59,028.39, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Salt Lake City in shipment #8, dated Jan'y. 15, 1912, to the mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold,--	$58,644.16
Silver,-	384.23

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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February 1, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States,

Sir:

It is requested that the bullion fund of the Mint at San Francisco be increased by wire in the following sums with the Assistant Treasurers named below, Mr. Sweeny, the Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco having this day given a new bond and deposited all balances in his hands up to this date;

Assistant Treasurer at San Francisco -----$5,000,000.
" " " New York ----------3,000,000.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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February 1, 1912.

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The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at Philadelphia to the Treasury of the United States of the sum of $495,180 payable in gold certificates received in exchange for fine gold bars and subsidiary silver coin as follows:-

For fine gold bars ----------	$493,180.00
For subsidiary silver coin ---	2,000.00
	495,180.00

The Superintendent of the Mint reports that the certificates are all in good condition and in the following denominations:-

"Order" Certificates --------	$190,000.
$1,000's --------	250,000.
100's --------	20,000.
50's --------	25,000.
20's --------	5,000.
10's --------	5,180.
	495,180.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, Feb'y. 2, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States mint at Carson, Nevada, to that of the United States mint at San Francisco, Cal., of the sum of $71,121.08, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the mint at Carson, in shipment #10, dated Jan't. 24, 1912 to the mint at San Francisco, as follows:-

Gold,-	$70,017.12
Silver,-	1,103.96

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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, Feb'y. 2, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States assay office at Deadwood, South Dak., to that of the United States mint at Denver, Colo., of the sum of $154,683.95, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Deadwood in shipment #21, dated Jan'y. 16, 1912 to the mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold,-	$152,726.93
Silver,-	1,957.02

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE.
FORM No. 3038.
Ed. Mar. 1, 1904—8,000.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., February 2, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Charlotte, N. C., ---be increased in the sum of two thousand ----------dollars ($2,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money ---------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge------- of said institution with the Commercial National Bank, Charlotte, N. C.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE
Form No. 8888.
Rd. Mar. 3-09—300—5 x 10½

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,
Washington, D. C., February 5, 1912.

To the Honorable
TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah be increased in the sum of fifty thousand ---------- dollars ($ 50,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ------- of said institution with the National Bank of the Republic, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, Feb'y. 8, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States assay office at Boise, Idaho, to that of the United States mint at Denver, Colo., of the sum of $46,229.39, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Boise, in shipment No. 11, dated Jan'y. 12, 1912 to the mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold,- $45,161.92

Silver,- 1,067.47.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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February 8, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at Philadelphia to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of fifteen hundred dollars ($1500) payable in proof gold to be forwarded from the Mint at Philadelphia to the Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, Feb'y. 9, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States mint at New Orleans, La., to that of the United States assay office at New York City, of the sum of $154,471.33, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the mint at New Orleans in shipment No. 8, dated Jan'y. 10, 1912 to the assay office at New York City as follows:-

Gold,- $151,687.75

Silver,- 2,783.58.

Respectfully,

Geo E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE
Form No. 4838
Ed. Mar. 3, 1908—500—3 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., February 9, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at New Orleans, La., ----------be increased in the sum of two hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($200,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge-------- of said institution with the following:-

Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York, ----------$100,000
" " at New Orleans ---------- 100,000

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint,

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 4504.
Req. Mint. 3-09—300.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., February 9, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Helena, Montana------be increased in the sum of two hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($ 200,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge -------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 9038.
Ed. Mar. 2-09.—600.—$ x 10¼.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., February 9, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir;

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money ---------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge-------- of said institution with the National Bank of the Republic, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, Feb'y. 10, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States assay office at Charlotte, N.C., to that of the United States assay office at New York, N.Y., of the sum of $2,489.48, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer and Melter of the assay office at Charlotte, in shipment No. 7, dated Jan'y. 31, 1912 to the assay office at New York as follows:-

Gold,-	$2,475.75
Silver,-	13.73.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, Feb'y. 12, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States assay office at Deadwood, South Dak., to that of the United States mint at Denver, Colo., of the sum of $200,549.03, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Deadwood, in shipment No. 22, dated Jan'y. 30, 1912 to the mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold,-	$198,246.74
Silver,-	2,302.29.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, Feb'y. 12, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States assay office at Boise City, Idaho, to that of the United States mint at Denver, Colo., of the sum of $35,998.72, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Boise City, in shipment #12, dated Jan'y. 30, 1912 to the mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold,-	$35,676.25
Silver,-	322.47.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, Feb'y. 12, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States assay office at Helena, Mont., to that of the United States mint at Denver, Colo., of the sum of $28,426.47, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Helena, in shipment No. 23, dated Jan'y. 31, 1912 to the mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold,-	$27,551.61
Silver,-	874.86.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, Feb'y. 12, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States assay office at Salt Lake City, Utah, to that of the United States mint at Denver, Colo., of the sum of $69,544.81, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Salt Lake City, in shipment No. 9, dated Jan'y. 31, 1912 to the mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold,-	$69,246.32
Silver,-	298.49.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8818.
Ed. Mar. 1908—100—8 x 101.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., February 14, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood, S. D., ----be increased in the sum of five hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($500,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------; and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the U. S. at New York.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8808.
Ed. Mar. 1, 1908. 5 x 101.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., February 16, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at New York ---------- be increased in the sum of five million ----------dollars ($ 5,000,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ----------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 2838.
Ed. Mar. 2-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., February 16, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Helena, Montana------- be increased in the sum of two hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($200,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money ---------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ------ of said institution with the National Bank of Montana, Helena, Montana.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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, Feb'y. 16, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States mint at New Orleans to that of the United States assay office at New York, N.Y., of the sum of $89,178.25, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the mint at New Orleans in shipment No. 9, dated Feb'y. 3, 1912 to the assay office at New York City as follows:-

Gold,-	$88,548.37
Silver,-	629.88.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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February 17, 1912.

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The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at Denver to that of the Mint at Philadelphia of the sum of $9.40 on account of the value of special assay coins sent by the Denver Mint to this Bureau during the quarter ended December 31, 1911, and forwarded to the Mint at Philadelphia February 12, 1912.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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February 17, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at San Francisco to that of the Mint at Philadelphia of the sum of $331 on account of the value of special assay coins sent from the Mint at San Francisco to the Bureau of the Mint during the quarter ended December 31, 1911, and transmitted to the Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE,
Form No. 3845.
Ed. May, 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., February 19, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at San Francisco, Cal., -------- be increased in the sum of five million dollars ----------dollars ($ 5,000,000---------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent -------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8338.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., February 20, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood, S. D., ---be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($ 100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money ---------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge--------of said institution with the First National Bank, Deadwood, S. D.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

February 21, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint of the United States at San Francisco to that of the Mint at Philadelphia of the sum of $23,130 in gold coin and $617.50 in silver coin, making a total of $23,747.50, the value of coins reserved from the coinage of the Mint at San Francisco during the calendar year 1911, for test by the Annual Assay Commission and now in the custody of the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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February 21, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint of the United States at Denver to that of the Mint at Philadelphia of the sum of $17,795 in gold coin, and $851.25 in silver coin, making a total of $18,646.25, the value of coins reserved from the coinage of the Mint at Denver during the calendar year 1911, for test by the Annual Assay Commission, and now in the custody of the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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February 24, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

In order to provide storage space for the silver dollars to be transferred from the banks in Boston to the Mint at Philadelphia it will be necessary for the Superintendent of that institution to open the Silver Dollar Vault now under seal of the Department. I have, therefore, to request that you will designate an employee of the Sub-treasury in Philadelphia to represent the Department in the opening of the vault, the storage of the $1,500,000, the temporary sealing of the vault during the period required for this work, and the final sealing of the vault upon the completion of the transfer.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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February 23, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

Of the silver bullion on hand purchased under the provisions of Section 3526 Revised Statutes, it is requested that the Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco be authorized to deliver to the Government of the Philippine Islands 186.55 standard ounces of the value of $92.01 in exchange for a like amount of silver contained in coins of the Philippine Government reserved for test by the Annual Assay Commission, delivered to and now in the hands of the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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, Feb. 27, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States assay office at Deadwood, South Dak., to that of the United States mint at Denver, Colo., of the sum of $259,810.53, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Deadwood in shipment No. 23, dated Feb. 8, 1912 to the mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold,- $256,765.79

Silver,- 3,044.74.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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, Deb. 28, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States assay office at Helena, Mont., to that of the United States mint at Denver, Colo., of the sum of $62,346.13, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Helena, in shipment No. 24, dated Feb'y. 10, 1912 to the mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold,-	$60,860.25
Silver,-	1,485.88.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

March 1, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint of the United States at Philadelphia to the Treasury of the United States of the sum of $554,350 payable in gold certificates received in exchange for fine gold bars and subsidiary silver coins as follows:-

For Fine Gold Bars ----------	$552,350.00
" Subsidiary Silver Coin ---	2,000.00
	554,350.00

The Superintendent reports that the certificates are in the following denominations and all in good condition:

$10,000	$230,000	(Order certificates)
1,000	217,000	
500	55,000	
100	30,000	
50	15,000	
20	7,000	
10	350	$554,350.00

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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March 2, 1912.

Dear Mr. McClung:

Taking up the matter of the storage of $1,500,000 to be transferred from the banks in Boston to the Mint in Philadelphia, I find by a letter received to-day from the Superintendent of the Mint that he has a spare vault in which the coins referred to can be stored. This will obviate the necessity of breaking the Department seal upon the large storage vault, and consequently it will not be necessary for this Bureau to be represented, nor for Mr. Muir to be in attendance at any time. I have wired the Superintendent of the Mint to this effect to-day, and beg to request that you explain the matter to Mr. Gibson.

Thank you exceedingly for your courtesy in responding to the request of the Bureau in this matter.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Hon. Lee McClung,
United States Treasurer.

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, March 2, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States assay office at Deadwood, South Dak., to that of the United States mint at Denver, Colo., of the sum of $147,643.07, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Deadwood in shipment No. 24, dated Feb. 15, 1912 to the mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold,-	$146,120.37
Silver,-	1,522.70.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, March 5, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States mint at Carson, Nevada, to that of the United States mint at San Francisco, Cal., of the sum of $63,708.66, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the mint at Carson, in shipment No. 11, dated Feb. 21, 1912 to the mint at San Francisco as follows:-

Gold,- $62,711.85

Silver,- 996.81.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mat. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., March 9, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ----------dollars ($ 100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ---------- , and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Chicago.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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, March 12, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the United States assay office at Charlotte, N.C., to that of the United States assay office at New York, N.Y., of the sum of $5,424.11, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer and Melter of the assay office at Charlotte, in shipment No. 8, dated Feb. 29, 1912 to the assay office at New York as follows:-

Gold,-	$5,406.22
Silver,-	17.89.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

This request was delivered to the Treasurer's Office March 13. It was misplaced in the chief clerk's room of that office & not delivered to Mr Harrington until Apl. 1. The date on which the transfer was made

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, March 15, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Boise City to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $49,053.96, the gross value of bullion shipped by the Assayer in Charge at Boise City to the Mint at Denver, under date of Feb. 24, 1912:-

Gold bullion,----------	$48,469.04
Silver bullion,----------	584.92.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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, March 15, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Seattle to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $181,067.73, the gross value of bullion shipped by the Assayer in Charge at Seattle to the Mint at Denver, under date of Feb. 16, 1912:-

Gold bullion,----------	$180,445.78
Silver bullion,--------	621.95.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Bd. Mgr. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., March 16, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood, S. D. be increased in the sum of five hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($ 500,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ------ of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE,
Form No. [illegible],
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500[illegible] x 101.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., March 18, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Carson, Nevada, ---------- be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($ 100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ------ of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at San Francisco. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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March 19, 1912.

The Treasurer of the United States,

Treasury Department,

Sir:

I am forwarding herewith for collection, draft of the Baltimore & Ohio R. R. Co. for the sum of $75.00. I will thank you to have the proceeds covered into the Treasury on account of Miscellaneous Receipts - Re-imbursement for government property lost, without personal credit.

Please transmit duplicate certificate of deposit to this Bureau.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE,
Form No. 1636.
Ed. Mar. 9-09—500.—S X 101.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., March 19, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ----------dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge--------of said institution with the National Bank of the Republic, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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March 19, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that the bullion fund of the Mint of the United States at Philadelphia be increased in the sum of $3,781 by a transfer of that amount in gold coin of the following denominations from the Treasury of the United States:-

	Number.	Value.
$1	320	$ 320
$5	337	1,011
$10	129	1,290
$20	58	1,160
		3,781

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 34[illegible].
Ed. Dec. 8-09—500.—5 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., March 23, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at New York, N. Y.------ be increased in the sum of five million ----------dollars ($ 5,000,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ----------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the U. S. at New York.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint,

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March 23, 1912.

The Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

The Superintendent of the U. S. Assay Office at New York has made requisition for four Colts Revolvers, 38 calibre, for the use of the watchmen of his institution. I beg to request that the same be supplied to him. He has now charged to him six Colts Revolvers, and the above are desired in addition to those on hand.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, March 23, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Helena to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $67,251.38, the gross value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Helena to the Mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$65,499.17
Silver bullion,-	1,752.21.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

308501

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, March 23, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Deadwood to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $219,530.94, the gross value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Deadwood to the Mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$216,979.42
Silver bullion,-	2,551.52.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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308488

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, March 23, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Helena to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $18,939.53, the gross value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Helena to the Mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$17,887.60
Silver bullion,-	1,051.93.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

308786

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, March 23, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Salt Lake City to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $98,713.88, the gross value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Salt Lake City to the Mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$97,600.86
Silver bullion,-	1,113.02.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

308498

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, March 27, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Seattle to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $85,447.39, the gross value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Seattle to the Mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold bullion,-------- $85,149.57

Silver bullion,------ 297.82.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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, March 27, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Helena to that of the Mint at Denver, of the sum of $37,972.37, the gross value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Helena to the Mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold bullion,--------	$37,629.81
Silver bullion,-------	342.56.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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, March 27, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Deadwood to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $249,776.71, the gross value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Deadwood to the Mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold bullion,--------	$246,039.31
Silver bullion,------	3,737.40.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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, March 27, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at New Orleans to that of the Assay Office at New York, of the sum of $139,803.60, the gross value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Mint at New Orleans to the Assay Office at New York as follows:-

Gold bullion,--------	$136,938.43
Silver bullion,------	2,865.17.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—3 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., March 26, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Boise, Idaho,--------- be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ----------dollars ($ 100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge -------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York. Advice of this credit to be hiven by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE,
Form No. 8938.
Ed. Mar. 2-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., March 29, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood, S. D., ---- be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ----------dollars ($ 100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ---------- , and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge-------- of said institution with the First National Bank of Deadwood, S. D.

Respectfully,

M. O. Kelly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., March 30, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at New Orleans, La., ----------be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ----------dollars ($ 100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge --------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New Orleans. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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April 1, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at Philadelphia to the Treasury of the United States of the sum of $625,510 payable in gold certificates received in exchange for fine gold bars and subsidiary silver coin as follows:-

In exchange for fine gold bars ---	$622,510.00
" " " subsidiary silver	3,000.00
	625,510.00

The Superintendent reports that the certificates are in the following denominations and in good condition:-

Order certificates ----------	$290,000.
$5,000's ----------	15,000.
1,000's ----------	200,000.
500's ----------	34,000.
100's ----------	50,000.
50's ----------	35,000.
10's ----------	1,010.
	625,510.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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, April 1, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Deadwood to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $183,318.51, the gross value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Deadwood to the Mint at Denver as follows:-

Gold bullion,----------	$180,530.93
Silver bullion,--------	2,787.58.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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April 2, 1912.

The Treasurer of the United States,

Treasury Department.

Sir:

I am forwarding herewith for collection, check of the S. S. White Dental Manufacturing Co. #A29016, dated at Philadelphia March 30, 1912, for the sum of $465.02. Please cover proceeds into the Treasury on account of Miscellaneous Receipts - Proceeds of Sale of Government Property.

It is requested that duplicate certificate of deposit be transmitted to this Bureau.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

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Director of the Mint.

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April 5, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at Philadelphia to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $26.53 payable in proof silver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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April 5, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

Your bullion fund in the hands of the superintendents of the several mints, as now constituted, embraces five classes of assets, viz:-

1. Gold coin and gold certificates.
2. Credit with Assistant Treasurer.
3. Silver Coin.
4. Gold Bullion.
5. Silver Bullion.

This fund is used according to law for the following purposes, viz:-

1. For payments of gold deposits and silver purchases.
2. For payment of orders drawn by you.

It is proposed to add to the above five classes a sixth, viz:- "Minor Coin".

The Minor Coin, of course, could not be used for the first purpose mentioned above, but could be used for the second.

If there is no objection to this change, the minor coin now carried in the Minor Coin Recoinage account could be transferred to Bullion Fund as fast as the uncurrent coin is recoined. The Minor Coin Recoinage account would then show only recoinage transactions, similar to the Gold and

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Silver Recoinage account, and all shipments of minor coin could be made from the Bullion Fund.

This proposition would involve only minor changes on the forms now in use, as indicated on the sample statement enclosed herewith. The transcripts would remain the same, excepting that minor coinage shipments would, of course, appear on the Bullion Fund transcript.

The Minor Coinage Metal Fund consists of -

1. Lawful money.
2. Minor Coin.
3. Minor Coinage Metal.

If the Superintendent needs lawful money in his Metal Fund Account, instead of having it transferred in exchange for shipments of minor coin, as at present, he will transfer minor coin from the Metal Fund to the Bullion fund in exchange for lawful money.

It is understood that the metal purchased for the minor coinage shall belong to the Metal Fund and be carried therein, as at present, and the request is made to carry minor coin not minor coinage metal in the Bullion Fund.

The profits on the coinage of minor coin after being deposited in the Treasury at Washington, would then be transferred as "minor coin" to the Bullion Fund instead of the Minor Coin Recoinage account as at present.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, April 9, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Mint at Carson, Nev., to that of the U.S. Mint at San Francisco, of the sum of $72,510.23, the gross value of bullion shipped by the Assayer in Charge of the Mint at Carson to the Mint at San Francisco, March 29, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,----------	$71,067.96
Silver bullion,--------	1,442.27.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, April 10, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Charlotte, N.C., to that of the Assay Office at New York City, of the sum of $2,085.04, the gross value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer & Melter at Charlotte to the Assay Office at New York, under date of March 30, 1912.

Gold bullion,-	$2,072.18
Silver bullion,-	12.86.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—6 x 10).

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,
Washington, D. C., April 9, 1912.

To the Honorable
TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood, S. D. ------be increased in the sum of five hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($500,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge -------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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April 12, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Deadwood, to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $206,824.63, the gross value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Deadwood to the Mint at Denver, April 1, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$204,575.77
Silver bullion,-	2,248.86.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, April 12, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Helena to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $69,241.05, the gross value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Helena to the Mint at Denver, March 30, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$68,055.90
Silver bullion,-	1,185.15.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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April 13, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at New York to that of the Mint at Philadelphia of the sum of eight million five hundred and fifty-five thousand and seventy-one dollars and sixty-two cents ($8,555,071.62) payable in gold bars to be shipped by the Superintendent of the Assay Office at New York to the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia, by United States Express.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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, April 17, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the assay office at Salt Lake City to that of the Mint at Denver, of the sum of $131,312.41, the gross value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Salt Lake City to the mint at Denver, March 29, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$129,511.05
Silver bullion,-	1,801.36.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—5 x 10¼.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., April 24, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Denver, Colorado ---------- be increased in the sum of one million dollars ----------dollars ($ 1,000,000---------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ----------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8638.
Rd. Mint. 2-09—500.—3 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., April 25, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at New York ----------be increased in the sum of one million ----------dollars ($1,000,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ----------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, April 29, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Helena, to that of the Mint at Denver, of the sum of $76,333.08, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Helena, shipment #29, April 16, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion.----------	$74,555.82
Silver bullion,--------	1,777.26.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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, April 29, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Boise City to that of the Mint at Denver, of the sum of $65,825.95, the value of bullion for warded by the Assayer in Charge at Boise City, shipment #14, April 9, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,----------	$65,054.84
Silver bullion,--------	771.11.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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, April 29, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Deadwood to that of the Mint at Denver, of the sum of $272,546.14, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge at Deadwood, shipment #29, April 11, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,----------	$268,832.28
Silver bullion,--------	3,713.86.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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, April 29, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Seattle to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $106,129.60, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge at Seattle, shipment #16, April 9, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,----------	$105,554.70
Silver bullion,--------	574.90.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, April 29, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at New Orleans to that of the Assay Office at New York City, of the sum of $113,282.61, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Mint at New Orleans, shipment #11, April 2, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,----------	$110,432.28
Silver bullion,---------	2,850.33.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., April 30, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at New York, N. Y., -----be increased in the sum of two million ---------- dollars ($2,000,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ---------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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April 30, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is the desire of the Bureau to begin the annual settlements of the coinage mints and the Assay Office at New York on the 12th of June.

Will you please advise me if you will be able to detail Mr. Lefurge of the New York Sub-treasury to assist in the settlement at New York for this fiscal year? Mr. Lefurge acted in this capacity last year and because of his experience he would be a valuable man to us in New York this year.

I should also appreciate it if you could spare a man from the Sub-treasury in San Francisco to assist in the settlement at that Mint on the 12th of June to continue probably until the end of that month.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 1, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States,

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at Philadelphia to that of the Mint at San Francisco of the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000) payable in 46.375 fine ounces of proof gold.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 1, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at Philadelphia to the Treasury of the sum of $655,520 payable in gold certificates received in exchange for fine gold bars and subsidiary silver coin as follows:-

For fine gold bars ----------$653,520.
" Subsidiary silver coin------ 2,000.

The Superintendent of the Mint reports that the certificates are of the following denominations and and all in good condition:-

Order certificates,	$240,000
$1,000's	315,000
100's	80,000
50's	20,000
10's	520
	655,520

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, May 2, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the assay office at Deadwood, to that of the mint at Denver, of the sum of $177,717.71, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Deadwood, in shipment #30, April 30, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$174,979.47
Silver bullion,-	2,738.24.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, May 2, 1912

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the assay office at Helena, to that of the mint at Denver, of the sum of $23,381.11, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Helena, in shipment #30, April 30, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$23,261.42
Silver bullion,-	119.69.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8202.
Bd. Mint, 7-09—300.—5 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., May 3, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES,

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Helena, Montana------be increased in the sum of two hundred thousand ----------dollars ($200,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money -------- , and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge------- of said institution with the First National Bank of Montana, Helena, Montana.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 4, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at New York to that of the Mint at Philadelphia of the sum of $426.38, the value of gold and silver contained in sweeps grain bar recovered from the Melter & Refiner's sweeps received from New York.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE,
Form No. 8818,
Ed. Mar. 1-[illegible]

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., May 8, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ------- of said institution with the National Bank of the Republic, Salt Lake City, Utah

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE.
COPY No. 1.
Ex. Mint. A-01-300—S x 104.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., May 8, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood S. D. be increased in the sum of five hundred thousand dollars ($ 500,000), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8958,
Ed. Mar. 8-08—100.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., May 13, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Pa., ---------- be increased in the sum of one million ---------- dollars ($ 1,000,000 ----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent --------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 3838.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—S y. 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., May 13. 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood, S. D., ----- be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($ 100,000 ----------), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money ---------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ------- of said institution with the First National Bank of Deadwood, Deadwood, S. D.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE,
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., May 15, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at New Orleans, La., ---------- be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($ 100,000 ----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ---------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8835.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., May 15, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES,

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States United States Mint at New Orleans ----be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge---------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New Orleans.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, May 15, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Charlotte, to that of the U.S. Assay Office at New York, of the sum of $4,048.66, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer and Melter at Charlotte Assay Office, April 30, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$4,037.49
Silver bullion,-	11.17.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, May 15, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Mint at Carson, to that of the U.S. Mint at San Francisco, of the sum of $50,157.82, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Mint at Carson, April 30, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$49,216.89
Silver bullion,-	940.93.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, May 15, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at New Orleans to that of the U.S. Assay Office at New York, of the sum of $75,838.60, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Mint at New Orleans, April 18, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$74,540.16
Silver bullion,-	1,298.44.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, May 15, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Helena, to that of the U.S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $58,818.28, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Helena, April 30, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$57,842.84
Silver bullion,-	975.44.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, May 15, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Deadwood, to that of the U.S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $193,379.81, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Deadwood, April 27, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$191,374.45
Silver bullion,-	2,005.36.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 4883.
Ed. Mar. 1-06-500.-8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., May 20, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Denver, Colorado ---------- be increased in the sum of one million ----------dollars ($1,000,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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, May 20, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Salt Lake City, to that of the U.S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $65,695.93, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Apr.30, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$65,444.29
Silver bullion,-	251.64.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, May 20, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Helena, to that of the U.S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $24,955.84, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Helena, May 6, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$24,806.66
Silver bullion,-	149.18.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ed. May, 1-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., May 21, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at New York, N. Y.,---- be increased in the sum of three million ---------- dollars ($3,000,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ---------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE
Form No. 3[illegible]
M. M. R. 08-600—3 x 10[illegible]

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., May 21, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES:

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Carson, Nevada, ---------- be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge --------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at San Francisco. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, May 23, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Deadwood, to that of the U.S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $249,262.27, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Deadwood to the Mint at Denver, May 10, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,----	$246,181.27
Silver bullion,--	3,081.00.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, May 23, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U,S, Assay Office at Seattle, to that of the U.S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $203,983.37, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Seattle to the Mint at Denver, May 4, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$203,078.23
Silver bullion,-	905.14.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Form No. 8838.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,
Washington, D. C., May 24, 1912.

To the Honorable
TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Helena, Montana,---- be increased in the sum of fifty thousand dollars ----------dollars ($50,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge -------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., May 27, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood, S. D.,----- be increased in the sum of five hundred thousand ----------dollars ($ 500,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge --------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., May 28, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES,

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, be increased in the sum of fifty thousand ---------- dollars ($50,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge -------of said institution with the National Bank of the Republic, Salt Lake City, Utah. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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, May 28, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Helena, to that of the U.S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $34,682.31, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Helena to the Mint at Denver, May 18, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,--------	$34,426.94
Silver bullion,------	255.37.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, May 28, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Helena, to that of the U.S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $46,515.90, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Helena to the Mint at Denver, May 11, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-------	$45,485.75
Silver bullion,-----	1,030.15.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at New York to that of the Mint at Philadelphia of the sum of $244.84, the value of gold and silver contained in the sweeps grain bar recovered from sweeps received by the Mint at Philadelphia from the New York Assay Office as follows:-

Gold	Ounces	standard	12.744	$237.10
Silver	"	"	15.32	7.74
				244.84

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., June 1, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at San Francisco, Cal., -------- be increased in the sum of two million ---------- dollars ($ 2,000,000---------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ----------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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June 1, 1912.

The Treasurer

of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at Philadelphia to the Treasury of the sum of $542,600 payable in gold certificates received in exchange for fine gold bars and subsidiary silver coin as follows:-

In exchange for fine gold bars----	$540,600.
In exchange for subsidiary silver coin ----------	2,000.
	542,600.

The Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia reports that the certificates are of the following denominations and all in good condition:-

Order certificates	$280,000.00
$1,000's	220,000.00
100's	20,000.00
50's	20,000.00
20's	2,600.00
	542,600.00

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., June 3, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Seattle, Washington, be increased in the sum of five hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($500,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge -------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, June 3, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Deadwood, to that of the U.S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $173,955.23, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Deadwood to the Mint at Denver, May 20, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$171,521.60
Silver bullion,-	2,433.63.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Form No. 8838.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., June 4, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES,

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at San Francisco ---------- be increased in the sum of one million ---------- dollars ($1,000,000 ----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent -------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at San Francisco. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,
Washington, D. C., June 4, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Boise, Idaho, ---------be increased in the sum of fifty thousand ----------dollars ($50,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ---------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ------ of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., June 8, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Denver, Colorado,---------- be increased in the sum of one million ---------- dollars ($1,000,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ---------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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, June 10, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Boise City, to that of the U.S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $66,913.21, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Boise City to the Mint at Denver May 20, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,--------	$66,219.21
Silver bullion,------	694.00.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C.,

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand---------- dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge -------- of said institution with the National Bank of the Republic, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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June 10, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

Will you please advise me if it will be practicable for you to detail two employees of the Sub-Treasury in Philadelphia to duty in the Mint in that city for a period of two or three weeks from June 12th to assist in the annual settlement at that Institution. I shall appreciate it if this service can be rendered to the Mint Bureau.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., June 12, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at New York, N. Y. be increased in the sum of three million dollars ($3,000,000), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Respectfully,

N. D. Ferree,
Acting Director of the Mint.

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, June 12, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Deadwood, to that of the U.S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $200,130.18, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Deadwood to the Mint at Denver, May 31, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$197,525.38
Silver bullion,-	2,604.80.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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, June 12, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States,

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Mint at Carson City, to that of the U.S. Mint at San Francisco, of the sum of $77,086.44, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Mint at Carson City to the Mint at San Francisco, May 31, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$75,633.23
Silver bullion,-	1,453.21.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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, June 12, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Charlotte, to that of the U.S. Assay Office at New York, of the sum of $5,021.60, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer and Melter of the Assay Office at Charlotte to the Assay Office at New York, May 31, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$5,007.84
Silver bullion,-	13.76.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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, June 12, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Mint at New Orleans, to that of the Assay Office at New York, of the sum of $105,473.86, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Mint at New Orleans to the Assay Office at New York, May 29, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$103,147.95
Silver bullion,-	2,325.91.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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, June 12, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Helena, to that of the U.S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $44,980.05, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Helena to the Mint at Denver, May 25, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$44,175.92
Silver bullion,-	804.13.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 13, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the reference of letter from the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia stating that in response to your instructions he had detailed two employees to assist the settlement committee now in the Mint at Philadelphia.

I appreciate the effort you have made to do us this favor and shall be glad to reciprocate your kindness if an opportunity presents itself.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 15, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Seattle, Washington, be increased in the sum of two hundred thousand dollars by a transfer of that amount in gold coin from the Mint at Denver; shipment to be made by American Express to the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Seattle, Washington, to be authorized by wire, and to be in the following denominations:-

Eagles	$50,000
Half Eagles	150,000.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

A. Piatt Andrew
Assistant Secretary.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., June 18, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Boise, Idaho, ——— be increased in the sum of fifty thousand ——— dollars ($ 50,000 ———), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ———, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ——— of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, June 18, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena, to that of the U.S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $31,838.75, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Helena to the Mint at Denver, May 31, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,----------	$31,613.33
Silver bullion,--------	225.42.

Respectfully,

for Director

Director of the Mint.

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, June 18, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Mint at New Orleans, to that of the U.S. Assay Office at New York, of the sum of $95,453.82, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Mint at New Orleans to the Assay Office at New York, June 7, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,———	$94,256.92
Silver bullion,———	1,196.90.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE
Form No. 1888.
Wd. Mint. 3-09—500.—S & M.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., June 19, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Helena, Montana be increased in the sum of two hundred thousand dollars ($200,000), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge of said Institution with the National Bank of Montana, Helena, Montana.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Rd. Mar 9-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., June 20, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES,

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Carson, Nevada, ———— be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ———— dollars ($ 100,000 ————), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ————, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ——— of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at San Francisco. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE,
Form No. [illegible]
Ed. [illegible] 25 x 10½

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., June 22, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Helena, Montana ---- be increased in the sum of fifty thousand ---------- dollars ($ 50,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ------ of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., June 22, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood, S. D. —— be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand —— —— dollars ($ 100,000 ———), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money ——, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge —— of said institution with the First National Bank of Deadwood, S. D.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, June 24, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Helena, to that of the U.S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $76,814.31, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Helena to the Mint at Denver, June 11, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,------	$75,056.55
Silver bullion,----	1,757.76.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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, June 24, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Salt Lake City, to that of the U.S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $117,366.88, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Salt Lake City to the Mint at Denver, May 31, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,------- $115,087.21

Silver bullion;------ 2,279.67.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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, June 27, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Helena, to that of the U.S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $25,564.75, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Helena to the Mint at Denver, June 15, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$25,216.37
Silver bullion,-	348.38.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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June 27, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Boise City, to that of the U.S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $62,349.78, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Boise City to the Mint at Denver, June 15, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$61,764.44
Silver bullion,-	585.34.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, June 27, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Deadwood, to that of the U.S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $276,515.52, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Deadwood to the Mint at Denver, June 10, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$272,971.74
Silver bullion,-	3,543.78.

Please advise Deadwood of this transfer by wire in order that the Assayer in Charge may be enabled to close his accounts by Friday next.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Form No. 8838.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., June 28, 1912.

To the Honorable
TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Denver, Colorado, ——— be increased in the sum of three million ——— dollars ($3,000,000———), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ———, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ——— of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, June 28, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Seattle, to that of the U.S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $61,935.61, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Seattle to the Mint at Denver, June 3, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$61,551.77
Silver bullion,-	383.84.

Please notify the Assayer in Charge at Seattle of this transfer, by wire.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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, June 29, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Deadwood, to that of the U.S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $171,178.20, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Deadwood to the Mint at Denver, June 18, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$169,004.46
Silver bullion,-	2,173.74.

Please advise the Assayer in Charge at Deadwood of this shipment, by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., July 1, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood, S. D., ---- be increased in the sum of five hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($500,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge-------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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July 2, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at Philadelphia to the Treasury of the sum of $534,930 payable in gold certificates received in exchange for fine gold bars and subsidiary silver coin as follows:-

In exchange for fine gold bars	$530,930.
" " " subsidiary silver	4,000.
	534,930.

The Superintendent reports that the certificates are in the following denominations and in good condition:

Order certificates	$240,000.00
$1,000s	214,000.00
100s	70,000.00
50s	10,000.00
10s	930.00

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., July 6, 1912.

To the Honorable
TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at San Francisco, Cal., ——— be increased in the sum of one million dollars ——————— dollars ($ 1,000,000———), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ———, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ——— of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at San Francisco. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8512.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., July 5, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at New York ———— be increased in the sum of three million ———————— dollars ($3,000,000————), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ————, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ———— of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 88138.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., July 5, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at New Orleans, La, ---------- be increased in the sum of two hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($200,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge-------- of said institution ~~with the~~ as follows:-

Assistant Treasurer at New York ---------$100,000
" " New Orleans ------ 100,000.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., July 8, 1912.

To the Honorable
TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Helena, Montana, be increased in the sum of fifty thousand dollars ($ 50,000), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8888.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., July 9, 1912.

To the Honorable
TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES,

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Boise, Idaho, ——— be increased in the sum of fifty thousand ——— dollars ($ 50,000 ———), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money ———, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ——— of said institution with the Boise City National Bank, Boise, Idaho. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8338.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., July 0, 1912.

To the Honorable
TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES:

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Boise, Idaho,——— be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ——— dollars ($100,000———), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ———, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge———of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, July 12, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States:

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Charlotte, to that of the U.S. Assay Office at New York, of the sum of $4,793.97, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer and Melter of the Assay Office at Charlotte to the Assay Office at New York, June 29, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$4,783.87
Silver bullion,-	10.10

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-09--500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., July 19, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at San Francisco, Cal., ---------- be increased in the sum of five million ---------- dollars ($5,000,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ---------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Respectfully,

W. H. Fee

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 19, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Deadwood, to that of the U. S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $233,399.94, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Deadwood to the Mint at Denver, July 1, 1912, as follows:

Gold bullion,-	$230,491.31
Silver bullion,-	2,908.63

Respectfully,

N. McFarland

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 19, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Mint at Carson, to that of the U. S. Mint at San Francisco, of the sum of $63,651.53, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Mint at Carson to the Mint at San Francisco, June 26, 1912, as follows:

Gold bullion,-	$62,494.62
Silver bullion,-	1,156.91

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint

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July 23, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at Philadelphia to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of one thousand, five hundred dollars ($1,500) payable in 72.5625 fine ounces of proof gold.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint

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July 23, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at Philadelphia to that of the Assay Office at New York of the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000) payable in 48.375 fine ounces of proof gold.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint

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July 23, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena, to that of the U. S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $29,837.05, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge at the Assay Office at Helena to the Mint at Denver, July 6, 1912, as follows:

Gold bullion,	$29,663.66
Silver bullion,	173.39

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint

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July 23, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena, to that of the U. S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $89,256.29, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Helena to the Mint at Denver, July 1, 1912, as follows:

Gold Bullion	$88,080.00
Silver Bullion	1,176.29

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint

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July 23, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Salt Lake City, to that of the U. S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $55,335.95, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Salt Lake City to the Mint at Denver, July 2, 1912, as follows:

Gold bullion,	$55,166.58
Silver bullion,	169.37

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint

Corrected copy sent by Denver letter July 25

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July 25, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Salt Lake City to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $55,349.52, the value of the bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Salt Lake to the Mint at Denver, July 2, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion --------	$55,180.08
Silver " --------	169.44

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., July 26, 1912.

To the Honorable
TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at New York, N. Y., be increased in the sum of five million dollars ($5,000,000), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8868.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., July 30, 1912.

To the Honorable
TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood, S.D.,----be increased in the sum of five hundred thousand ----------dollars ($ 500,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge -------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. [illegible].
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., July 30, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Denver, Colorado, ---------- be increased in the sum of three million ---------- dollars ($ 3,000,000---------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ---------- , and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ---------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Chicago, Ill. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 30, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at Philadelphia to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $1,000 payable in 48.375 fine ounces of proof gold to be forwarded from the Mint at Philadelphia to the Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 5898.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., August 1, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Seattle, Washington, be increased in the sum of five hundred thousand ----------dollars ($ 500,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge --------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Aug. 1, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Boise to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $52,674.73, the value of the bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Boise to the Mint at Denver, July 3, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,	$52,047.74
Silver "	626.99

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint

s.

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Aug. 1, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $50,902.02, the value of the bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Helena to the Mint at Denver, July 13, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,	$49,991.25
Silver "	910.77

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint

s.

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August 1, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at Philadelphia to the Treasury of the United States of the sum of $459,540 payable in gold certificates received in exchange for fine gold bars and subsidiary silver coin as follows:-

For fine gold bars ----------	$458,540.
For Subsidiary silver coin -----	1,000.

The Superintendent states that the certificates are all in good condition and of the following denominations:-

Order certificates ------	$160,000.
$5,000s, ------	20,000.
1,000s, -------	200,000.
500s, -------	10,000.
100s, -------	50,000.
50s, -------	15,000.
20s, -------	4,540.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., August 3, 1912.

To the Honorable
TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Carson, Nevada, ---------- be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000 ----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge -------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at San Francisco. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. [illegible].
Ed. Mar. 1-60—500.—3 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., August 3, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Charlotte, N. C. ----- be increased in the sum of twenty-five thousand ---------- dollars ($25,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin and lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge -------- of said institution with the following:-

Assistant Treasurer at New York ----------	$20,000
Commercial National Bank, Charlotte, N. C. ----------	5,000

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Aug. 5, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Deadwood, to that of the U. S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $257,442.40, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Deadwood to the mint at Denver, July 10, 1912, as follows:

Gold bullion,	$254,301.21
Silver bullion,	3,141.19

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint

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Aug. 5, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Seattle, to that of the U. S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $257,728.58, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Seattle to the Mint at Denver, July 9, 1912, as follows:

Gold bullion,	$256,733.98
Silver bullion,	994.60

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint

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Aug. 5, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Deadwood, to that of the U. S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $151,101.47, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Deadwood to the Mint at Denver, July 20, 1912, as follows:

Gold bullion,	$149,371.35
Silver bullion,	1,730.12

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint

s.

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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., August 5, 1912.

To the Honorable
TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Helena, Montana, ---be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge-------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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August 5, 1912.

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The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Seattle, Washington, be increased in the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($250,000) by a transfer of that amount in gold coin from the Mint at Denver; shipment to be made by American Express to the Assayer in Charge U.S.Assay Office at Seattle, to be authorized by wire, and to be in the following denominations:-

Eagles	$100,000
Half Eagles	150,000

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., August 7, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood, S. D.,------be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money --------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge -------of said institution with the First National Bank, Deadwood, S. D.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Aug. 7, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $32,297.81, the value of the bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Helena to the mint at Denver, July 20, 1912, as follows:

Gold bullion,	$31,988.74
Silver bullion,	309.07

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8888.
Id. Mar. 3-09—500.—3 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., August 8, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Boise, Idaho,------- be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge-------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 9, 1912.

The Treasurer of the
United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at San Francisco to the Mint at Philadelphia of the sum of $136.70, the value of special assay coins forwarded by the Mint at San Francisco.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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August 9, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at Denver to that of the Mint at Philadelphia of the sum of $6.40, the value of special assay coins forwarded from the Mint at Denver.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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August 13, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Mint at Carson City to that of the U.S. Mint at San Francisco, of the sum of $87,500.20, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the U.S. Mint at Carson to the Mint at San Francisco, July 31, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$86,439.22
Silver bullion,-	1,060.98.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, August 13, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Charlotte, to that of the U.S. Assay Office at New York, of the sum of $4,537.12, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer and Melter of the Assay Office at Charlotte to the Assay Office at New York, July 31, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$4,522.37
Silver bullion,-	14.75.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, August 14, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Boise City to that of the U.S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $99,307.71, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Boise City to the Mint at Denver, July 24, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$98,401.34
Silver bullion,-	906.37.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., August 16, 1912.

To the Honorable
TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at San Francisco ---------- be increased in the sum of one million ---------- dollars ($1,000,000 ----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ----------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at San Francisco. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., August 16, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money ---------; and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge -------- of said institution with the National Bank of the Republic, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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August 16, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

I have to request that the minor coinage metal fund of the Mint at Philadelphia be reduced to $25,000 and that the minor coinage metal fund of the Mint at Denver be increased to $50,000.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE
Form No. 7828.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—9 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., August 17, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Denver, Colorado---------- be increased in the sum of three million ----------dollars ($3,000,000---------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ---------- , and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent -------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE
Form No. 8833.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—S x 104.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., August 19, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood, S. D.,------ be increased in the sum of five hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($500,000.00----------), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ------ of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer at New York, N. Y.

Respectfully,

H. V. Poor

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Aug. 21, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Salt Lake City, to that of the U. S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $35,148.38, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer of the assay office at Salt Lake City to the mint at Denver, Aug. 2, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$35,061.02
Silver bullion,-	87.36

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint

s.

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Aug. 21, 1912.

The Treasurer

of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Mint at New Orleans, to that of the U. S. Assay Office at New York, of the sum of $98,073.97, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer of the mint at New Orleans to the assay office at New York, Aug. 9, 1912, as follows:

Gold bullion,	$96,237.19
Silver bullion,	1,836.78

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint

s.

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Aug. 21, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena, to that of the U. S. Mint at Denver, of the sum of $47,515.18, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer of the assay office at Helena to the mint at Denver, Aug. 1, 1912, as follows:

Gold bullion,	$46,715.60
Silver bullion,	799.58

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint

s.

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August 26, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at Philadelphia to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $500, the value of proof gold forwarded to the Mint at Denver from the Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, August 27,1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood to that of the United States Mint at Denver, of the sum of $211,308.62, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Deadwood to the Mint at Denver, July 31, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$208,825.81
Silver bullion,-	2,482.81

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., August 27, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Helena, Montana------- be increased in the sum of two hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($ 200,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money ---------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ------- of said institution with the National Bank of Montana, Helena, Montana.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., August 29, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at San Francisco, Cal., ------- be increased in the sum of three million ----------dollars ($ 3,000,000---------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ---------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ---------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at San Francisco. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Frank A. Leach

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., August 29, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at San Francisco ---------- be increased in the sum of two million ----------dollars ($2,000,000---------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ---------- , and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ---------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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August 30, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at New York to that of the mint at Philadelphia of the sum of one thousand two hundred and forty-three dollars and ten cents ($1,243.10) the same being the value of the gold and silver contained in sweeps forwarded to the Mint at Philadelphia from the Assay Office at New York, as follows:-

Gold, ounces standard	55.787	$1,186.73
Silver " "	111.49	56.37
		1,243.10

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., August 31, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at New York, N. Y., ---- be increased in the sum of three million ----------dollars ($ 3,000,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ---------- , and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ----------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Form No. 8838.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., August 31, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Chicago.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

September 3, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint of the United States at Philadelphia to the Treasury of the United States of the sum of $560,070 payable in gold certificates received in exchange for fine gold bars and subsidiary silver coin as follows:-

For fine gold bars ----------	$557,070.
For subsidiary silver coin ---	3,000.
	560,070.

The Superintendent states that the certificates are all in good condition and of the following denominations:-

Order certificates	$280,000	
$1,000's ----------	237,000	
500's ----------	5,000	
100's ----------	15,000	
50's ----------	18,000	
20's ----------	5,000	
10's ----------	70	$560,070

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, Sept. 3, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States Assay Office at Helena, to that of the United States Mint at Denver, of the sum of $33,989.24, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Helena to the Mint at Denver, August 12, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$33,079.09
Silver bullion,-	910.15.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 1933.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., September 7, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES,

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Carson, Nevada,---------- be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at San Francisco. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, Sept. 9, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States Assay Office at Boise City to that of the United States Mint at Denver, of the sum of $47,741.96, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Boise City to the Mint at Denver, August 12, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$47,212.00
Silver bullion,-	529.96

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, Sept. 9, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood to that of the United States Mint at Denver, of the sum of $278,621.58, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Deadwood to the Mint at Denver, August 10, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$275,747.22
Silver bullion,-	3,874.36

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE,
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., September 9, 1913.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood, S. D.,------ be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ----------dollars ($ 100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money ---------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge -------of said institution with the First National Bank of Deadwood, S. D.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, Sept. 11, 1912

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States Mint at Carson City, to that of the United States Mint at San Francisco, of the sum of $85,384.48, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Mint at Carson City to the Mint at San Francisco, August 30, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$84,226.73
Silver bullion,-	1,157.75

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8828.
Bd. Mat. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., September 12, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Boise, Idaho,------ be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge --------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 12, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at New York to that of the Mint at Philadelphia of the sum of $3,384.17, the value of the sweeps bar recovered from Melter & Refiner's sweeps forwarded to Philadelphia. The weight and value of the gold and silver contained in the bar are as follows:-

Gold, ounces standard	175.620	$3,267.35
Silver " "	230,88	116.82
		3,384.17

Respectfully,

Acting Dirdctor of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., September 13, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at San Francisco, Cal.,---------- be increased in the sum of three million ---------- dollars ($3,000,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ----------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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, Sept. 12, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States Assay Office at Charlotte, to that of the United States Assay Office at New York, of the sum of $3,386.97, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer and Melter of the Assay Office to the Assay Office at New York, August 31, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$3,372.28
Silver bullion,-	14.69.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8833.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—5 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., September 16, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES,

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Helena, Montana, --- be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000.00----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge------ of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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September 15, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

The Secretary of the Treasury has been requested to cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Edward Sweeny, late Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco, the balance belonging to the Metal Fund Account which was held in the Sub-Treasury at the time of his death.

The present Superintendent, Mr. Frank A. Leach, has no amount to his credit in the Metal Fund Account, and I have to request that you will cause to be placed to his credit the sum of twenty-five thousand ($25,000) dollars.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, Sept. 16, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Helena to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $25,234.95, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Helena to the mint at Denver, August 17, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$25,006.02
Silver bullion,-	228.93.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, Sept. 16, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Helena, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $50,058.32, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Helena to the mint at Denver, August 24, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$49,200.00
Silver bullion,-	858.32.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, Sept. 16, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Seattle, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $421,305.77, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Seattle to the mint at Denver, August 8, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$419,177.74
Silver bullion,-	2,128.03.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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September 16, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that the bullion fund of the Assay Office of the United States at Seattle, Washington, be increased in the sum of three hundred thousand dollars ($300,000) by a transfer of that amount in gold coin from the Mint at Denver; shipment to be made by Adams Express Company to the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Seattle; shipment to be authorized by wire, and to be in the following denominations:-

Double eagles ----------$200,000
Half Eagles ---------- 100,000

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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September 17, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

The Secretary of the Treasury has been requested to cause to be deposited in the Treasury, in the name of Edward Sweeny, late Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco, the balances belonging to the Metal Fund Account which was held in the Sub-Treasury at the time of his death.

There is in the metal fund account of the San Francisco Mint $5,535.50 in metal and I have to request that you will cause the Metal Fund of that institution to be increased to $25,000 by placing the necessary amount to the credit of Frank A. Leach, Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, with the Assistant Treasurer in that city.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., September 17, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Seattle, Washington, be increased in the sum of five hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($500,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge -------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 4888.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., September 20, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at New York, N. Y.,----- be increased in the sum of five million ----------dollars ($ 5,000,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ----------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, Sept. 20, 1912

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Deadwood, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $174,326.93, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Deadwood to the mint at Denver, August 20, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,------	$171,964.79
Silver bullion,----	2,362.14

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, Sept. 23, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Helena, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $23,302.65, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Helena to the mint at Denver, August 31, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$23,094.04
Silver bullion,-	208.61

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, Sept. 23, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Salt Lake City to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $125,705.61, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Salt Lake City to the mint at Denver, August 30, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$121,228.81
Silver bullion,-	4,476.80.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, Sept. 23, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Boise City to that of the United States mint at Denver of the sum of $48,036.99, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Boise City to the mint at Denver, Sept. 3, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$47,525.66
Silver bullion,-	511.33

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, Sept. 24, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States mint at New Orleans to that of the United States Assay Office at New York of the sum of $99,599.23, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the mint at New Orleans to the Assay Office at New York, Sept. 12, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$98,241.05
Silver bullion,-	1,358.18

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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September 24, 1912.

The Treasurer

of the United States.

Sir:

Referring to the letter of this Bureau dated August 26, 1912, requesting the transfer of $500 from the bullion fund of the Mint at Philadelphia to that of the Mint at Denver, on account of proof gold manufactured by the Mint at Philadelphia, I beg to request that the letter be amended to read "the value of proof gold to be forwarded to the Mint at Denver from the Mint at Philadelphia."

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., September 25, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood, S. D., ---- be increased in the sum of five hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($500,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge -------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE,
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-02—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., September 26, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at New Orleans, La., ---------- be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New Orleans.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., September 27, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at San Francisco ----------be increased in the sum of three million dollars ----------dollars ($ 3,000,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ----------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, Sept. 27, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Deadwood, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $210,792.25, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Deadwood to the mint at Denver, August 31, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$207,879.50
Silver bullion,-	2,912.75.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, Sept. 30, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Deadwood, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $270,850.47, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Deadwood to the mint at Denver, Sept. 10, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$267,261.17
Silver bullion,-	3,589.30.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 1838.
Ed. Mint. 5-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., October 1, 1912.

To the Honorable
TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at New York, N. Y., ---- be increased in the sum of five million ---------- dollars ($ 5,000,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ----------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York. Advice of this credit to be given by wire. (New bond approved October 1st, 1912.)

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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October 1, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint of the United States at Philadelphia to the Treasury of the United States of the sum of $723,660 payable in gold certificates received in exchange for fine gold bars and subsidiary silver coin as follows:-

Received in exchange for gold bars,-	$720,660.00
" " " Subsidiary coin -----	3,000.00
	723,660.00

The Superintendent states that the certificates are all in good condition and of the following denominations:-

Order certificates ----------	$370,000
$5,000's ----------	5,000
1,000's ----------	233,000
500's ----------	15,000
100's ----------	50,000
50's ----------	50,000
10's ----------	660

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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October 1, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Seattle, Washington, be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) by a transfer of that amount in gold coin from the Mint at Denver; shipment to be made by American Express to the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Seattle; to be authorized by wire, and to be in the following denominations:-

Eagles ----------$50,000
Half Eagles ---------- 50,000

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Ro Bailey

Assistant Secretary.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, October 8, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Seattle, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $383,516.44, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Seattle to that of the mint at Denver, Sept. 6, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$381,811.46
Silver bullion,-	1,704.98.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, October 2,1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States,

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Deadwood, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $208,703.40, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Deadwood to the mint at Denver, Sept. 20, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,- $205,934.69

Silver bullion,- 2,768.71.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, October 2,1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Helena, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $32,596.68, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Helena to the mint at Denver, Sept. 10, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$32,399.86
Silver bullion,-	196.82.

Respectfully,

Geo. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, October 2,1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Helena, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $53,070.61, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Helena to the mint at Denver, Sept. 14, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,- $ 52,080.18

Silver bullion,- 990.43.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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, October 2,1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Helena, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $24,961.61, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Helena to the mint at Denver, Sept. 21, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$24,781.97
Silver bullion,-	179.64.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8888.
Ed. Mint. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., October 3, 1912.

To the Honorable
TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Seattle, Washington be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ----------dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge --------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

October 7, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that the bullion fund of the United States Assay Office at Seattle, Washington, be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ($100,000) dollars by a transfer of that amount in gold coin from the Mint at Denver; shipment to be made by American Express to the Assayer in Charge of the Assayer at Seattle; to be authorized by wire, and to be in the following denomination:-

Half eagles---------- $100,000

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Acting Secretary.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

October 5, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at Philadelphia to that of the Mint at San Francisco of the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000) payable in 48.375 ounces of proof gold to be forwarded from the Mint at Philadelphia to the Mint at San Francisco.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., October 7, 1912

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at New Orleans, La., ---------- be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New Orleans.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., October 7, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at New York, N. Y., ---- be increased in the sum of five million---------- dollars ($ 5,000,000---------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ---------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., October 7, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood, S. D.,---- be increased in the sum of five hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($500,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge -------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8888.
Ed. Mar. 2-09—500.—2 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., October 7, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Seattle, Washington, be increased in the sum of four hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($400,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ---------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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,October 11,1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Deadwood to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $225,415.17, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Deadwood to the mint at Denver, Sept. 26, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$222,526.78
Silver bullion,-	2,888.39.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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October 11, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States mint at Carson City to that of the mint at San Francisco of the sum of $65,111.60, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the mint at Carson City to the mint at San Francisco, Sept. 30, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$64,195.51
Silver bullion,-	916.09.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts
Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 2458.
M. Mint (C. 300.—5-12).

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., October 12, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Denver, Colorado,---------- be increased in the sum of five million ---------- dollars ($ 5,000,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ---------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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,October 12,1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Helena to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $50,334.25, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Helena to the mint at Denver, Sept. 30, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$49,255.83
Silver bullion,-	1,078.42.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. [illegible]
Ed. Mar. [illegible]

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,
Washington, D. C., October 16, 1912.

To the Honorable
TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at San Francisco, Cal., ---------be increased in the sum of three million ---------- dollars ($3,000,000---------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent --------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at San Francisco. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 16, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at Philadelphia to that of the Assay Office at Boise, Idaho, of the sum of $5.05, payable in five ounces of C.P. silver to be forwarded from Philadelphia to that office.

Respectfully,

F. O. Dewey

Acting Director of the Mint.

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,October 18,1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Seattle to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $776,813.44, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Seattle to the mint at Denver, Sept. 26, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$773,395.39
Silver bullion,-	3,418.05

Respectfully,

F. D. Ewing

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 396

, October 23, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Charlotte, to that of the United States assay office at New York, of the sum of $2,595.22, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer and Melter of the assay office at Charlotte to the assay office at New York, Sept. 30, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$2,578.22
Silver bullion,-	17.00.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE.
FORM No. 8888.
Eq. Mak. 2-09—500.—3 c. 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., October 24, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Carson, Nev., ---------- be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge--------- of said Institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at San Francisco. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., October 24, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood, S. D.------be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money -------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ------- of said institution with the First National Bank of Deadwood, S. D.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., October 25, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Boise, Idaho,---------be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

R. D. Tracy,
Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. M338.
Ed. Mar. 2-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., October 25, 1912.

To the Honorable
TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at New Orleans, La., --------- be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New Orleans.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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,October 26,1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Seattle, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $347,932.63, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Seattle to the mint at Denver, Oct. 4th, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$346,378.99
Silver bullion,-	1,553.64.

Respectfully,

R. Preston

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 8-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., October 28, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Seattle, Washington --be increased in the sum of five hundred thousand ----------dollars ($ 500,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge -------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—S & 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., October 28, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Denver, Colorado, ---------- be increased in the sum of one million ----------dollars ($ 1,000,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ---------- , and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ----------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. N838.
Ed. Mar. 3-03—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., October 26, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Helena, Mont., ------be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

F. E. Drury
Acting Director of the Mint.

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,October 28,1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Helena, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $70,152.75, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Helena, to the mint at Denver Oct. 12, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$69,021.24
Silver bullion,-	1,131.51.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 29, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at Denver to that of the Assay Office at Seattle, of the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($150,000) by a transfer of that amount in gold coin from the Mint at Denver; shipment to be made by American Express to the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Seattle; to be authorized by wire, and to be in the following denominations:-

Eagles, ---------- $100,000
Half Eagles ---------- 50,000

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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, October 29, 1913.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Deadwood, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $171,412.27, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Deadwood to the mint at Denver, Oct. 19, 1913, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$169,039.13
Silver bullion,-	2,373.14

Respectfully,

F.B. Drury

Acting Director of the Mint.

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, October 29, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Deadwood, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $283,536.27, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Deadwood to the mint at Denver, Oct. 10, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$279,683.37
Silver bullion,-	3,852.90.

Respectfully,

A. D. Emery,
Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., October 31, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir;

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at New York, N. Y., ---- be increased in the sum of five million ---------- dollars ($5,000,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent --------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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,October 31,1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requestedthat a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Seattle, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $417,395.07, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Seattle, Oct. 14, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$415,718.25
Silver bullion,-	1,676.82.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838
Rd. Mar. 3-[illegible] 6 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., November 4, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at San Francisco ----------be increased in the sum of three million ----------dollars ($3,000,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ---------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

A. P. Berg

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
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REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., November 4, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood, S. D., ---- be increased in the sum of five hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($500,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ---------- , and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

F. P. Drury.

Acting Director of the Mint.

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,November 4,1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Boise City, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $83,051.95, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Boise City to the mint at Denver, Oct. 2, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$82,055.24
Silver bullion,-	996.71.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 5, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint of the United States at Philadelphia to the Treasury of the United States of the sum of $524,350 payable in gold certificates received in exchange for fine gold bars and subsidiary silver coin as follows:-

Received in exchange for gold bars	$522,350.00
" " " Subsidiary silver coin	2,000.00

The superintendent states that the certificates are all in good condition and of the following denominations:-

Order certificates	$220,000	
$5,000's	5,000	
1,000's	228,000	
500's	2,500	
100's	27,000	
50's	32,000	
20's	4,000	
10's	5,850	$524,350

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8638.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., November 5, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Helena, Montana,--- be increased in the sum of two hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($ 200,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money ---------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge --------of said institution with the National Bank of Montana, Helena, Montana.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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, November 7, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States mint at New Orleans to that of the United States assay office at New York, of the sum of $73,220.67, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the mint at New Orleans to the assay office at New York, Oct. 18, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$72,245.98
Silver bullion,-	974.69

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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, November 7, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Helena, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $35,698.32, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Helena to the mint at Denver, Oct. 19, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$35,340.97
Silver bullion,-	357.35

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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,November 13,1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Deadwood, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $156,486.07, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Deadwood to the mint at Denver, Oct. 26, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$154,478.09
Silver bullion,-	2,007.98

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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,November 13,1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Boise City,to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $52,384.32, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Boise City to the mint at Denver, Oct. 24, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$51,827.97
Silver bullion,-	556.35

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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,November 13,1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Seattle, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $476,385.44, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Seattle to the mint at Denver, Oct. 23, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$474,094.10
Silver bullion,-	2,291.34

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 2698.
Ed. Mar. 2-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., November 14, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Denver, Colorado, ---------- be increased in the sum of five million ---------- dollars ($5,000,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ---------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8858.
Ed. Mar. 3-05—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., November 14, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ----------dollars ($ 100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money ---------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge --------of said institution with the National Bank of the Republic, Salt Lake City.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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November 15, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at Denver to that of the Assay Office at Seattle, Washington, of the sum of two hundred thousand dollars ($200,000) payable in gold coin to be shipped by American Express to the Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle; shipment to be authorized by wire, and to be of the following denominations:-

Double eagles	$100,000
Eagles	50,000
Half eagles	50,000.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Assistant Secretary.

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,November 16,1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Charlotte, to that of the United States assay office at New York, of the sum of $1,756.41, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Charlotte to the assay office at New York, Oct. 31, 1912 as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$1,747.06
Silver bullion,-	9.35

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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,November 18,1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States mint at Carson, to that of the United States mint at San Francisco, of the sum of $75,547.50, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the mint at Carson City to the mint at San Francisco, Oct. 31, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$74,402.69
Silver bullion,-	1,144.81

Respectfully,

F. P. Drury.

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8832.
Ed. Mar. 3-09--500.--8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., November 19, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Philadelphia ---------- be increased in the sum of five hundred thousand ----------dollars ($ 500,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ----------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 19, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that the minor coinage metal fund of the Mint at Philadelphia be increased in the sum of fifty thousand ($50,000) dollars.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., November 20, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at New Orleans, La., ---------- be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ----------dollars ($ 100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge --------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New Orleans.

Respectfully,

F. E. Dewey,
Acting Director of the Mint.

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Nov. 23, 1912.

The Treasurer

of the United States.

Sir:

Herewith find letter of the Assayer in Charge of the U. S. Assay Office at Boise, Idaho, stating that warrant issued on my requisition of Nov. 6, 1912, #3762, in amount $1100, had not reached him on the 19th inst.

He was informed by telegraph on the 18th inst. that warrant had been mailed Nov. 9th.

Will you please take such steps as are necessary to supply him with the above named sum at an early date.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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,November 25,1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Helena, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $45,954.05, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Helena to the mint at Denver, Oct. 31, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$44,975.21
Silver bullion,-	978.84.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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,November 26,1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Salt Lake city to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $79,556.55, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Salt Lake city to the mint at Denver, Oct. 29, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$79,064.32
Silver bullion,-	492.23.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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,November 26,1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Seattle, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $388,909.93, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Seattle to the mint at Denver, Nov. 4, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$387,128.95
Silver bullion,-	1,780.98.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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,November 26,1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Helena, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $49,677.43, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Helena to the mint at Denver, Nov. 11, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$49,420.92
Silver bullion,-	256.51.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 6-10—300.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., November 29, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood, S. D., ----be increased in the sum of five hundred thousand ----------dollars ($500,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge --------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 3838.
Eg. Mar. 5-09-500.—5 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT.

Washington, D. C., November 29, 1912

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at New York, N. Y., ----be increased in the sum of five million ---------- dollars ($5,000,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent --------- of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Respectfully,

Fr. E. Baker

Director of the Mint.

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,November 29,1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Deadwood to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $190,334.68, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Deadwood to the mint at Denver, Nov. 9, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$187,419.27
Silver bullion,-	3,915.41

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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November 30, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith Post Office Department Warrant No. 203711, drawn on the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York, in favor of the Mint of the United States, amounting to $120 in payment for the manufacture at the Mint, Philadelphia, of stamped envelope dies. I beg to request that you will cause the same to be collected and the proceeds deposited in the Treasury to the credit of the following appropriations for the support of the Mint at Philadelphia, fiscal year 1913, and that duplicate certificate of deposit be transmitted to the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia:-

Wages of Workmen -----	$114.33	
Contingent Expenses --	5.67	$120.00

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. M880.
Ed. Mint. 9-09—500.—5 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., December 6, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES,

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Boise, Idaho ------- be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ---------- , and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge --------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Geo E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

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Dec. 7, 1912.

The Treasurer,
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Deadwood to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $312,425.45, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Deadwood to the mint at Denver, Nov. 16, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$308,228.91
Silver bullion,-	4,196.54

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Dec. 7, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States mint at New Orleans to that of the United States assay office at New York, of the sum of $63,281.00, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the mint at New Orleans to the assay office at New York, Nov. 21, 1912, as follows:

Gold bullion,-	$62,459.29
Silver bullion,-	821.71

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Dec. 7, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Helena to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $27,284.04, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the assay office at Helena to the mint at Denver, Nov. 16, 1912, as follows:

Gold bullion,-	$26,387.82
Silver bullion,	896.22

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 2538.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., December 10, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Carson, Nevada, ... be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ..... dollars ($100,000 .....), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ....., and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ..... of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at San Francisco. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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December 11, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Charlotte, N. C., to that of the Assay Office at New York, of the sum of $1,911.79, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge at Charlotte, to the Assay Office at New York November 30, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion ----$1,898.63
Silver " ---- 13.16

Respectfully,

F. Dewey
Acting Director of the Mint.

AAH.

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December 11, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at Carson, Nevada, to that of the Mint at San Francisco of the sum of $67,315.15, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Mint at Carson to the Mint at San Francisco, dated November 30, 1912, as follows:-

Gold Bullion --------$66,401.01
Silver Bullion ------ 914.14.

Respectfully,

F. D. Leary

Acting Director of the Mint.

AAH.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE,
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., December 13, 1912.

To the Honorable
TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at New York ---------- be increased in the sum of five million ----------dollars ($5,000,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent ----------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., December 19, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Deadwood, S. D., --be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in lawful money ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge ----- of said institution with the First National Bank of Deadwood, S. D.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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December 19, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena to that of the U.S.Mint at Denver of the sum of $48,860.78, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Helena to the Mint at Denver, November 23, 1912, as follows:-

Gold Bullion ----------$47,794.04
Silver Bullion -------- 1,066.74

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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December 19, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena, Montana, to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $16,500.91, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Assay Office at Helena to the Mint at Denver November 30, 1912, as follows:-

Gold Bullion ----------	$16,436.41
Silver Bullion ----------	64.50

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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December 19, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at New Orleans to that of the Assay Office at New York of the sum of 97,296.26, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Mint at New Orleans to the Assay Office at New York under date of December 6, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion ----------	$96,546.39
Silver bullion ----------	749.87

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

AAH

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U. S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8338.
Ed. Mar. 3-09—500.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., December 23, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Helena, Montana, -----be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ----------dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge -------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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U.S. MINT SERVICE.
Form No. 8838.
Ed. Mar. 2-09—5,0.—8 x 10½.

REQUEST FOR INCREASE OF BULLION FUND.

Treasury Department,
BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., December 23, 1912.

To the Honorable

TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at New Orleans, La., ----------be increased in the sum of one hundred thousand ---------- dollars ($100,000----------), by a transfer of that amount in gold coin ----------, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge --------of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New Orleans. Advice of this credit to be given by wire.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Dec. 26, 1912.

The Treasurer,
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the United States assay office at Seattle, to that of the United States mint at Denver, of the sum of $422,337.97, the value of bullion forwarded by the assayer in charge of the assay office at Seattle to the mint at Denver, November 21st, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion,-	$420,340.16
Silver bullion,-	1,997.81

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

s.

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December 27, 1912

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Boise, to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $81,284.63 the value of bullion forwarded to the Mint at Denver from the Assay Office at Boise, November 26, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion -------	$79,936.97
Silver bullion -----	1,347.66

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

AAH.

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December 27, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

The Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia requests an immediate increase of the Metal Fund Account in such an amount as will raise it to the limit of that part of the fund to be kept at that mint, in order to meet outstanding liabilities on account of metal to arrive, purchased for the minor coinage.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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December 27, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Deadwood to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $196,410.00, the value of bullion forwarded from the Assay Office at Deadwood to the Mint at Denver November 27, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion ----------$192,388.62
Silver bullion --------- 4,021.38

Respectfully,

F. E. Leavy

Acting Director of the Mint'

MAH.

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December 27, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Mint at New Orleans to that of the Assay Office at New York of the sum of $117,346.27, the value of bullion forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the Mint at New Orleans to the Assay Office at New York December 14, 1912, as follows:-

Gold bullion -------$114,316.58
Silver bullion ------ 3,027.69

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

AH.

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Dec. 27, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Seattle to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $156,854.53, the value of bullion forwarded from the assay office at Seattle to the mint at Denver December 5, 1912, as follows:

Gold bullion,-	$155,801.54
Silver bullion,-	1,052.99

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Dec. 27, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Helena to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $25,840.66, the value of bullion forwarded from the assay office at Helena to the mint at Denver December 7, 1912, as follows:

Gold bullion,-	$25,162.82
Silver bullion,-	677.84.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Dec. 30, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Salt Lake City to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $90,586.18, the value of bullion forwarded from the assay office at Salt Lake City to the mint at Denver, Dec. 6, 1912, as follows:

Gold bullion,-	$90,322.08
Silver bullion,-	264.10

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Dec. 30, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Deadwood to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $290,755.28, the value of bullion forwarded from the Assay Office at Deadwood to the Mint at Denver December 9, 1912, as follows:

Gold Bullion,--	$286,859.91
Silver Bullion,-	3,895.37

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Dec. 30, 1912.

The Treasurer
of the United States.

Sir:

It is requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the Assay Office at Boise to that of the Mint at Denver of the sum of $53,477.30, the value of bullion forwarded from the assay office at Boise to the mint at Denver, Dec. 9, 1912, as follows:

Gold bullion,-	$53,061.90
Silver bullion,-	415.40

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.